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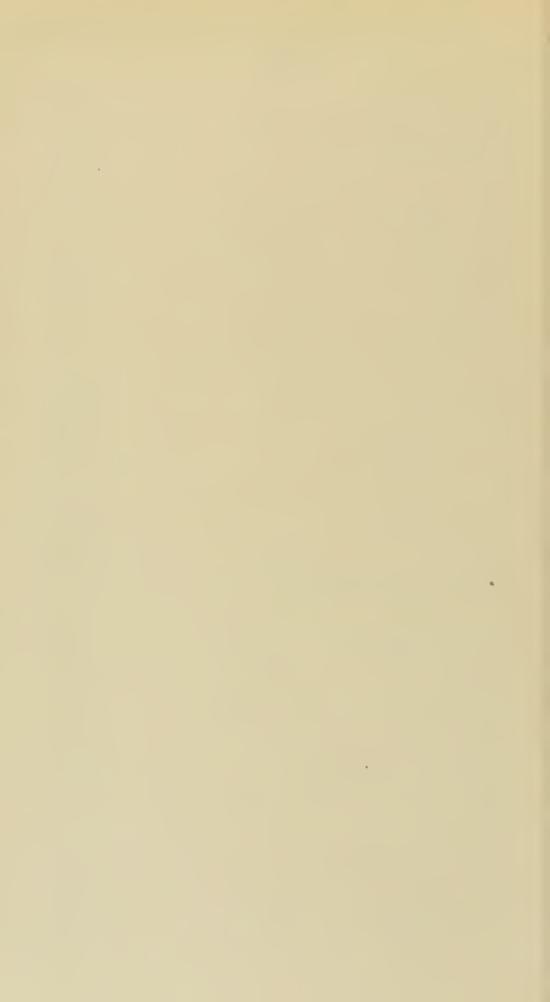
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Introduction

To the Chairman and Members of the County Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Health of the Administrative County of Cheshire for the year 1954.

Although the death rate (11.9 per 1,000 population) was little different from that in the preceding year, the statisties of the causes of death (Tables A and B) shew certain disquieting trends. Deaths from eaneer of the lungs and bronehi were again increased and were more than three times those from pulmonary tuberculosis, these latter being indeed the lowest ever recorded in the County. I must also draw attention to the steadily increasing proportion of males to females amongst the deaths between the ages of 45 and 65; whereas twenty years ago the crude death rate for females between those ages was approximately 30% higher than in 1954, the crude death rate for males has only fallen in the same period by 1.5%. To put it in another way, 60.4% of the deaths in 1954 between the ages of 45 and 65 were of males compared with 54.1% in 1934. The two main factors, both of them increasing as a cause of death, and both with an overwhelmingly marked predilection for males, are cancer of the lungs and bronchi, and coronary disease of the heart (angina).

The County Health Department, by means of the health visitors, is collaborating with the Cheshire and North Wales branch of the British Empire Caneer Campaign in the compilation of social histories of persons dying from eaneer. The Sanitary Inspectors of the County District Councils are collecting soil samples from the gardens of persons dying from stomach cancer, and apparatus for the estimation of atmospheric pollution has been set up at two localities in the western half of the County.

Maternal deaths numbered 5, the lowest figure ever recorded in Cheshire, and notifications of tuberculosis were markedly reduced and were lower than they have ever been. There was only one ease of diphtheria during the year, and no deaths were recorded from diphtheria, whooping cough or poliomyclitis. The deaths of infants under the age of one year were slightly increased in number.

Particulars are given on pages 45 and 46 of eontacts and school leavers vaccinated against tuberculosis by B.C.G. It is particularly gratifying to note the encouraging response of parents to the Council's scheme.

The Committee has continued its policy of purchasing "sitting-ease ambulances" for the transport of non-urgent patients to hospitals, and this is having results in lower running costs. A further development has been the adoption of a policy of interchangeability of drivers and attendants. Consultations are proceeding towards the fusion of the hitherto separate Altrineham and Sale ambulance services, whereby eventually the night and weekend ambulance services for a population of 120,000 will be centred upon one station.

Cheshire was delighted to welcome Miss P. Hornsby Smith, M.P., Parliamentary Sccretary to the Ministry of Health, when she opened in November 1954 the new elinie eentre at Cheadle and the William Gibson Hostel for 60 trainees at Wrenbury Hall Rehabilitation Centre and Tubereulosis Colony. Negotiations with the Ministry of Labour have resulted in substantial contributions from that Ministry towards the cost of industrial training at Wrenbury and the necessary equipment, thereby enabling a more comprehensive training to be provided.

Only three areas of the County were visited by miniature radiography units during 1954. I am glad to report that the attention given to Cheshire by this Regional Hospital Board service has been greater in 1955, and that arrangements have been made whereby school leavers found to be tuberculin positive can be examined by miniature radiography.

Many of the County ante-natal elinics are now visited by physiotherapists who conduct relaxation classes for expectant mothers. Co-operation with the Central Wirral Hospital Management Committee has resulted in the increased use of ante-natal clinics in the County clinic centres in the Wirral area by women for whom arrangements have been made to be confined at Clatterbridge Hospital.

Other instances of eo-opcration with Hospital Management Committees have been the decisions to make joint appointments of Psychiatrie Social Workers at Deva and Macelesfield Mental Hospitals, and the use to be made of the Runeorn elinie centre by the Chester Hospital Management Committee's mobile physiotherapy unit.

Additional occupation centres for mental defectives have been opened at Hyde and Macelesfield. When the Nantwich centre is ready, it is considered that with the arrangements made for transport, the County will be adequately covered as regards this important and greatly appreciated service.

The Committee have approved the provision of "sitters in" for elderly siek persons in certain eircumstances, and are experimenting in one division with a scheme for collection and laundering of foul washing from aged and handicapped persons. Assistance is frequently given towards the adaptation of the homes of handicapped persons so that these may overcome their handicaps.

Anxiety is felt regarding the difficulty in providing houses and garage accommodation for home nurses and midwives. Increasing difficulty is found in the recruitment of suitable nurses for vacant posts if no house is readily available.

I must express my appreciation of the work of the health visitors whose duties are steadily increasing and who are coping with a growing population in many areas. As more cannot be recruited at the present time, it is very necessary to ensure that their basic duties amongst mothers and young children, sehool children, tuberculous patients, mental defectives and sick and handicapped persons are not impeded by other duties which although important may be regarded as somewhat extraneous.

The question of early diagnosis and treatment of children suffering from eerebral palsy has been earefully eonsidered and it has been deeided to set up experimentally a team eomposed of a specially trained physiotherapist and occupational therapist who with the assistance of the County speech therapists will earry out treatment of spastic infants and young children at certain clinic centres. Unfortunately, it has not been possible so far to obtain the services of a suitable physiotherapist although an occupational therapist has been provisionally appointed.

Through the efforts of the Placement Officers of the National Institute for the Blind an increased number of blind persons is now being employed in open industry. When necessary, suitable blind persons are sent to Oldbury Grange, Bridgnorth, for social rehabilitation.

Certain health visitors have received training at the Manchester University Department for Education of the Deaf, in the early recognition and estimation of deafness in infancy.

As in previous years, regular monthly meetings have taken place with the Divisional Medical Officers, and these have helped to create a feeling of unity amongst the preventive health services of Cheshire whilst at the same time retaining the individuality of the several divisions.

I wish to thank the Chairman and Members of the County Health Committee and of the Divisional Health Committees for their support and help during the year. My sincere thanks are also due to the Clerk of the County Council and other Heads of Departments and their Deputies for their very willing eo-operation and assistance on all oceasions, and I acknowledge with deep gratitude the work, loyalty and friendship invariably shown to me by the whole of the staff of the Health Department throughout its many activities and varied functions.

I beg to remain,

Your obedient servant,

ARNOLD BROWN.

14th November, 1955.

Staff of the Public Health Department

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County Analyst

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Orthopaedic Surgeons (Part-time)

Paediatrician (Part-time) Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeons (Part-time) Chest Physicians

(Part-time)

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Miss E. Johnson.

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	Grange Hoylake cum-West Kirby (Park & South Wards)	Welfare Centre, Parish Hall, West Kirby Fri. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Broomfield, Meols Drive Tues. a.m. Hoylake
DISTRICT No. 2a. Mrs. V. R. Blades,* 17, Leighton Road, Tranmere, Birkenhead (Tel. Birk. 1839)		V. elfare Centre, Plymyard, Eastham Mon. p.m. (Tel. Eastham 1336) Welfare Centre, Victoria Hall, Hr. Bebington Tues. p.m. (Tel. Mountwood 1527) Welfare Centre, New Ferry Park, Wed. p.m. (Tel. R. F. 1143) Welfare Centre, Council Offices, Bromborough Thurs. p.m. (Tel. Brom. 2102) Welfare Centre, Mayer Hall, Bebington Fri. p.m. (Tel. R. F. 1440) Ante and Post Natal Clinic, New Ferry Park
Miss B. Shepherd,* 13, Probyn Road, Wallasey (Tel. Wallasey 1060)	Bebington M.B. (Woodhey & Hr Bebington Wards)	Mon. & Fri. a.m. Welfare Centre, Victoria Hall, Hr. Bebington Tues. p.m. Ante and Post Natal Clinic, New Ferry Park Fri. a.m.
Mrs. E. Symes,* Flat 7, Windy Knowe, Waterford Road, Oxton. Birkenhea	Bebington M.B. (Poulton Ward)	Ante and Post Natal Clinic, New Ferry Park Mon. a.m. Welfare Centre, Women's Institute, Thornton 1st and 3rd Fri. p.m. Hough Eye Clinic, St. Mark's Parish Room, New
(Tel. Birk. 1706) Miss E. Nicholson,* Rotherwood (Flat 6), Mill Road, Hr. Bebington (Tel. Mountwood 1949)	Bebington M.B. (Bebington & Sunlight Wards)	Fri. a.m. Ferry Ante & Post Natal Clinic, New Ferry Park Fri. a.m. W'elfare Centre, Mayer Hall, Bebington Fri. p.m.
Miss E. Wright,* 705, Borough Road, Birkenhead	Bebington M.B. (Eastham Ward)	Ante & Post Natal Clinic, New Ferry Park Mon. a.m. Welfare Centre, Plymyard Eastham Mcn. p.m. Toddlers' Centre, Plymyard, Eastham 2rd Fri. p.m.
Miss R. Abraham,* 21, Rock Park, Rock Ferry (Tel. R.F. 728)	Bebington M.B. (N. & S. Bromborough Wards)	Ante & Post Natal Clinic, New Ferry Park Fri. a.m. Welfare Centre, Council Offices, Bromborough Thurs. p.m. M.A. Clinic, Council Offices, Bromborough 1st Tues, a.m.
	Bebington M.B. (Pa. k & New Ferry Wards)	Ante & Post Natal Clinic, New Ferry Park Mon. a.m. Welfare Centre, New Ferry Park Wed. p.m.
Mrs. D. Bushell, † 6. Brelade Road, Liverpool, 13.	Visits Schools in Bebington M.B.	M.A. Clinic, St. Mark's Parish Room, New Mon. to Fri. p.m. Ferry (Tel. R.F. 1213)
*These Health Visitors also a clinics listed opposite.	attend on rota the	Eye Clinic, New Ferry Park 3rd Sat. a.m. E.N.T. Clinic, New Ferry Park Monthly Sat. a.m. Sun-Ray Clinic, New Ferry Park Tucs. & Fri. p.m. Toddlers' Centre, New Ferry Park 2nd Thurs. p.m.
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DISTRICT No. 2b. Miss E. L. Roberts, 23, Penmon Drive, Heswall, Wirral	Capenhurst Ledsham Pudd Ness Shots Willa	Parkgate lington M wick aston E dbank	Welfare Centre, Mellock Lare, Neston Thurs. p.m. (Tel. Neston 2189) M.A. Clinic, Mellock Lane, Neston Tues. a.m. Eye Clinic, Mellock Lane, Neston 1 st. Wed. a.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Mellock Lane, Neston Mon. a.m. Welfare Centre, Red Cross Depot, Willaston 1 st & 3rd Frt. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 2c. Mrs. E. G. Sinden, Gayton Grange (Flat 5), Well Lane, Gayton, Wirral (Tel. Heswall 2706)	lrby Pensby Thurstaston	A	Welfare Centre, Methodist Hall, Mill Hill Wed. p.m. Road, Irby Ante-Natal Clinic, Telegraph Rd., Heswall Thurs. a.m. Velfare Centre, Telegraph Rd., Heswall Mon. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 2d. Miss M. Okill, 32, Berwyn Avenue, Thingwall, Birkenhead	Barnston Gayton Heswall-cum-Oldfield	P E A	Welfare Centre, Telegraph Rd., Heswall Mon. p.m. (Tel. Heswall 3551) M.A. Clinic, Telegraph Rd., Heswall Turs. p.m. Eye Clinic, Telegraph Rd., Heswall 2nd & 4th Fri. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Telegraph Rd., Heswall Thurs. p.m. Paediatric Clinic, Telegraph Rd., Heswall Tues. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 2e. Miss D. Maybury, 149, Heath Road, Bebington (Tel. Mountwood 3254)	Caldy Frankby Greasby		Welfare Centre, Methodist Church Hall, Tues. p.m. Greasby Ante-Natal Clinic, Mellock Lane, Neston Mon. a.m.
DISTRICT No. 3a. Miss C. G. McKee, 12, Thamesdale, Ellesniere Port (Tel. E. P. 2542)	Ellesmere Port U.D. (N.W. & N.E. Was	rds)	Welfare Centre, York Road, Ellesmere Port Tues, & Fri. p.m. (Tel. E. Port 328) Ante-Natal Clinic, York Road, Ellesmere Port Wed. p.m.
Miss E. H. Marston, 23, Glan Aber Park, Hough Green, Chester (Tel. Chester 23679)	Ellesmere Port U.D (Victoria & Grange ((Pt.) Wards)	M.A. Clinic, York Road, Ellesmere Port) Mon. & Thurs. a.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, York Road, Ellesmere Port Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, York Road, Ellesmere Port
Miss G. M. Thorburn, Flat 2, 35, Liverpool Road, Chester	Ellesmere Port U.D. (South & Whitby V	Wards)	Welfare Centre, York Road, Ellesmere Port Fri. p.m. E.N.T. Clinic, York Road, Ellesmere Port Alt. Mon. a.m. Ante Natal Clinic, Chester Road, Little Fri. a.m. Sutton
Miss M. L. Bate, Waterdale. 86, Chester Road, Ellesmere Port (Tel. E. P. 9)	Ellesmere Port U.D. (Ince & Stanney Wa	ards)	Welfare Centre, York Road, Ellesmere Port Tues. p.m. Ante Natal Clinic, York Road, Ellesmere Port Wed. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Chester Road, Little Fri. a.m. Welfare Centre, Village Hall, Ince
Miss J. F. Fawcett, 52, Princes Boulevard, Bebington (Tel. Rock Ferry 4544)	Ellesmere Port U.D (Gt. Sutton, L. Sutton) Childer Thornton W	on, and Vards) I	2nd & 4th Thurs. p.m. Welfare Centre, Chester Road, Little Sutton Mon. p.m. M.A. Clinic, Chester Road, Little Sutton Fri. a.m. Midwives' Clinic, Chester Road, Little Sutton Thurs. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Chester Road, Little
Miss K. E. Cawthorn, 19, Kirket Lane, Bebington	Ellesmere Port U.D. (Overpool & Grange	e (Pt.) Wards)	Fri. u.m. Sutton Welfare Centre, Community Centre, Overpool 1 st & 3rd Thurs. p.m. Eye Clinic, York Road, Ellesmere Port Fri., a.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, York Road, Ellesmere Port Wed., p.m.

CIVIL PARISHES

CENTRES & CLINICS

DISTRICT No. 3b, Miss D. Toft, The Oaks Lodge, Upton, Chester (Tel. Chester 236381)

Aldford Buerton Chaster Castle Christleton Churton Heath Claverton Dodleston Eaton Feeleston Golliorne Bellow Saighton Golliorne David Tattenhali

Handley Huntington Kinnerton Lea Newbold Marlston Newton-by-T'hall Poulton Pulford Rowton

Welfare Centre, Barbour Institute, Tattenhall
1st & 3rd Mon. p.m.
Welfare Centre, Village Hall, Huntington
2nd & 4th Wed p.m. M.A. Clinic, Barbour Institute, Tattenhall Weil. a.m.

DISTRICT No. 4a Miss B. Jackson, 30, Acres Lane, Upton, Chester

Barrow Bridge Trafford Dunham-on-the-Hill Elton Great Boughton Guilden Sutton Hapsford Hoole Village

Littleton Little Stanney Mickle Trafford Picton Stoke Thornton-le-Moors Wimbolds

Trafford

School Clinic, 55, Hoole Road, Chester 1st Mon. a.m. Eye Clinic, 55, Hoole Road, Chester 1st Fri. p.m. Ist Centre, Village Hall, Barrow Welfare Centre, Village I 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m.

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Miss M. G. E. Crawford,
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Mollington Moston Saughall Shotwick Park Upton

Wervin

Lea-by-Backford Welfare Centre, Village Hall, Upton Thurs. p.m.
Welfare Centre, Vernon Institute, Saughall
1st, 3rd & 5th Mon. p.m.

DISTRICT No. 5 Miss M. Gourlay, Castle View, Clotton Lane, Huxley, Chester

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Horson-cum-Peel

Welfare Centre, Victory Hall, Tarporley.
2nd & 4th Thurs. p.m.
Welfare Centre, Parish Hall, Kelsall
1st & 3rd Tues. p.m.
M.A. Clinic, Victory Hall Tarporley. Pryor's Heys M.A. Clinic, Victory Hall Tarpolicy.
Rushton Fri. a.m.
Welfare Centre, Radcliffe's Hut, Tarvin
2nd & 4th Wed. p.m.
Tilstone Fearnall Eye Clinic, Victory Hall, Tarporley
4th Fri. p.m.

DISTRICT No. 6 Miss W. Jones, Lyle Village, Caergwrle, Nr. Wrexham

Agden Crewe Aldersey Cuddington Barton Duckington Bickerton Edge Bickley Edgerley Bradley Egerton Broxton Farndon Burwardsley Grafton Hampton Caldecott Carden Harthill Chidlow Horton Kings Marsh Chorlton Chowley Larkton Church ShocklachMacefen Churton-by-Al'fd Malpas Ch'rton-by-F'don Newton-by-Clutton Malpas Coddington Oldcastle

Welfare Centre, Parish Hall, Malpas 1st & 3rd Mon. p.m. M.A. Clinic, Jubilee Hall, Malpas
Thurs. p.m. Welfare Centre, Memorial Hall, Farndon 1st & 3rd Tucs. p.m.

Overton Tilston-by-Malpas Shocklach Oviett Tushingham Stockton Wigland Wychough Stretton Threapwood

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		CIVIL PAI	RISHES	CENTRES & CLINICS
I	DISTRICT No. 7a. Miss H. K. Coventry, 11, Weston Crescent, Runcorn (Tel. Runcorn 2023)	Runcorn U.D. (Halton Ward))	Welfare Centre, 34, Halton Road, Runcorn (Tel. Runcorn 2449) Wed. a.m. & Ist Thurs. p.m. M.A. Clinic, 28, Halton Road, Runcorn
	Mrs. E. Briers, 17, Cornwall Avenue, Runcorn	Runcorn U.D. (Heath Ward (Weste	(pt. i) and on Ward)	Welfare Centre, 34, Halton Road, Runcorn Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, 34, Halton Road, Runcorn Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, Conservative Hall, Weston 1st & 3rd Thurs. p.m.
	Miss A. Davies, 3, Cornwall Street, Runcorn	Runcorn U.D. (Heath Ward (part ii) and Newtown Ward)		Welfare Centre, 34, Halton Road, Runcorn Wed. a.m. M.A. Clinic, 28, Halton Road, Runcorn Tues. & Fri. a.m. Thurs. p.m. Paediatric Clinic, Memorial Hospital, Runcorn
	Mrs. J. Delaney, 10, Stanley Villas, Runcorn (Tel. Runcorn 2556)	Runcorn U.D., (Bridgewater, (Wards)	Central & Mersey	Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, 34 Halton Road, Runcorn Wed. p.m. & 2nd Mon. a.m. M.A. Clinic, 28, Halton Road, Runcorn Mon. p.m. Ante-& Post-Natal Clinic, 34, Halton Road, Thurs. a.m. Runcorn Eye Clinic, 28, Halton Road, Runcorn
-				Tues. p.m.
D	ISTR. CT 7b. Miss S. E. Robinson, 11, Weston Crescent, Runcorn (Tel. Runcorn 2023)	Aston Daresbury Dutton Halton Hatton Kingsley Moore	Norley Norton Preston Brook Sutton Walton Whitley	Welfare Centre, The Rock, Frodsham Alt. Tues. p.m. Welfare Centre, Hurst Church Hall, Kingsley 2nd & 4th Wed. p.m.
D	ISTRICT No 8. Miss R. Potter, 262, Padgate Lane, Padgate, Warrington	Alvanley Frodsham Helsby	Manley	Welfare Centre, The Rock, Frodsham Alt. Tues, p.m. (Tel. Frodsham 2388) M.A. Clinic, The Rock, Frodsham Thurs. p.m. (as required) Eye Clinic, The Rock, Frodsham 4th Thurs. a.m. E.N.T. Clinic, The Rock, Frodsham Odd months 3rd Thurs. a.m. Welfare Centre, Cable Works, Helsby Alt. Tues. p.m.
D	ISTRICT No. 9a Miss J. L. Hill Darland House, Winnington Hill, Northwich (Tel. Northwich 4643)	Acton Anderton Parnton Comberbach Crowton	Great Budworth Little Leigh Marbury	M.A. Clinic, Methodist Church, Barnton Wed. a.m. Welfare Centre, Meth. Church, Barnton 2nd & 4th Wed. 5.m. Welfare Centre Parish Hall, Comberbach 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m.
D	ISTRICT No. 9b. Mrs. J. Bleazard, Cartref, West Road, Weaverham, Northwich (Tel. Weaverham 2330)	Weaverham		Welfare Centre, 23, Church Lane, Weaverham Tues, p.m. (Tel. Weav. 3177) M.A. Clinic, 23, Church Lane, Weaverham Fri. a.m. Eye Clinic, 23, Church Lane, Weaverham 3rd Fri. p.m.
D	ISTRICT No. 10. Miss D. Parkinson, 131, Walnut Avenue, Weaverham, Northwich	Allostock Aston-by-Bud'th Bexton, Goostrey Marston Mere Nether Peover	Peover Inferior Pickmere Plumley Tabley Inferior Tabley Superior Wincham	Welfare Centre, The Institute, Lower Peover 2nd & 4th Mon. p.m. Eye Clinic, Parkfield, Northwich 1st, 2nd & 3rd Thurs. a.m. Welfare Centre, Social Club, Goostrey 1st & 3rd Tues p.m. Welfare Centre, Village Hall, Plumley
	Miss H. M. Dawson, Bollin Grove, Prestbury, Macclesfield	Knutsford U.D. Ollerton Peover Superior Toft		lst & 3rd Thurs. p.m. Welfare Centre, County Offices, Bexton Rd.,d Wed. p.m. M.A. Clinic, County Offices, Bexton Road, Wed. a.m. (Tel. Knutsford 273) Eye Clinic, County Offices, Bexton Rd., 3rd. Thurs. p.m. Welfare Centre, Parish Room, Over Peover 1st & 3rd Mon. p.m. Midwives' Clinic, Bexton Road, Knutsford 2nd & 4th Mon. p.m.

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DISTRICT No 11.
Miss A. McDonald,
131, Walnut Avenue,
Weaverham,
Northwich.

Northwich U.D. (Witton and Northwich Wards)

Welfare Centre, Darland House, Northwich Tues p.m.
Welfare Centre, Parkfield, Northwich Thurs. p.m.
Paediatric Cliric, Darland House, Northwich 4th Mon. p.m.

Miss A. Bullough
Darland House,
Winnington Hill,
Northwich

Northwich U.D. (Castle and Winnington Wards) M.A. Clinic, Darland House, Northwich Tues. & Fri. a.m.
Ante-Natal Clinic, Parkfield, Northwich Mon. p.m.
Welfare Centre, Darland House, Northwich Tues. p.m.
M.A. Clinic, Darland House, Northwich 2nd Fri. p.m.

DISTRICT 12a,
Mrs. M. T. H. Twigg,
7, St. Leonards Drive,
Timperley,
Altrincham
(Tel. Altrincham 5229)

Lach Dennis Lostock Gralam Rudheath Whatcroft M.A. Clinic, Parkfield, Northwich
Mon., Wed., Fri. & 1st Thurs. a.m.
Welfare Centre, Parkfield, Northwich
Thurs. p.m.
Ante-Natal Clinic, Parkfield, Northwich
Mon. p.m.

DISTRICT No. 12b.
Miss P. Holt,
Ivy House,
Dunham Town,
Altrincham

Cuddington Hartford Welfare Centre, Community Centre,
Delamere Park, Cuddington
1st. & 3rd. Wed. p.m.
E.N.T. Clinic, Parkfield, Northwich
2nd. Fri. a.m.
Welfare Centre, Meth. Chapel, Hartford
2nd & 4th Tues, p.m.
Ante-Natal Clinic, Parkfield, Northwich
Mon. p.m.
Welfare Centre, Church Hall, Sandiway
1st & 3rd Tues. p.m.

DISTRICT No. 13a Miss G. W. Johnson, Highfield, Swanlow Lane, Winslord Winsford U.D.
(Vale Royal & Wharton Wards)
Darnhall Marton
Davenham Moulton
Little Budworth Oakmere

Welfare Centre, 98, Weaver Street, Winsford Fri. & 1st Thurs. p.m. (Tel. Winsford2387)
Welfare Centre, Church Hall, Moulton 3rd Wed. p.m.
Welfare Centre, Methodist Church, Davenham 1st Mon. p.m.
Eye Clinic, 98, Weaver Street, Winsford 1st & 3rd Thurs. a.m.

DISTRICT No. 13b.
Miss J. M. Gassick,
47l, Chester Road,
Hartford,
Nr. Northwich
(Tel. Sandiway 2040)

Winsford U.D. (Gravel, Over & Swanlow Wards) Welfare Centre, 98, Weaver Street, Winsford Fri. & 1st Thurs. p.m. M.A. Clinic, 98, Weaver Street, Winsford Mon. p.m. E.N.T. Clinic, 98, Weaver Street, Winsford 2nd Wed. p.m.

DISTRICT No. 14. Mrs. G. Street, 3, Saltersford Corner, Holmes Chapel Middlewich U.D. Sproston
Bostock Stanthorne
Byley Tetton
Church Hulme Cranage

Middlewich U.D. Sproston
Stanthorne
Wimboldsley

Welfare Centre, 85, Wheelock Street, MiddleMon. p.m. wich
M.A. Clinic, 85, Wheelock Street, Middlewich
Mon., a.m.
Eye Clinic, 85, Wheelock Street, Middlewich
3rd Tues. p.m.
E.N.T. Clinic, 85, Wheelock Street, MiddleEven months 4th Thurs. a.m. wich
Welfare Centre, Victoria Hall, Holmes
2nd & 4th Tues. p.m. Chapel

DISTRICT No. 15. Miss E. M. Scott, The Dowery, Barker Street, Nantwich Nantwich U.D.

(Barony, Wellington and Willaston Wards)

Alpraham L.cighton
Aston-juxta Minshull Vernor
Poole
Calveley Wardle
Cholmondeston Church Minshull
Henhull Woolstanwood
Worleston

Welfare Centre, The Dowery, Nantwich
Thurs. p.m. (Tel. Nantwich 5360)
Wards)
M.A. Clinic, The Dowery, Nantwich
Wed. a.m.
Winshull Vernon
Poole
Wardle
Wardle

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DISTRICT No. 16a Mrs. F. G. Kirkham, St. Bees, Marsh Lane, Nantwich	Nantwich U.D. (Acton Austerson Baddiley Baddington Batherton Brindley Broomhall Bulkeley Bunbury Burland Cholmondeley Chorley Coole Pilate Edleston	(Weaver Ward) Faddiley Haughton Hurleston Marbury Norbury Peckforton Ridley Sound Spurstow Stapeley Stoke Wirswall Woodcott Wrenbury	Welfare Centre, The Dowery, Nantwich Thurs. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 16b. Miss D. Griffiths. East View, Little Heath, Audlem	Audlem Basford Blakenhall Bridgemere Buerton Clieckley-cum- Wrinehill Chorlton Dodcott-cum- Wilkesley Doddington	Hankelow Hatherton Hough Hunsterson Lea Newhall Rope Shavington Walgherton Weston Wybunbury	Welfare Centre, Wesleyan Chapel, Audlem 1st and 3rd Tues. p.m. Welfare Centre, Church Heli, Shavington 2nd & 4th Tues. p.m. Welfare Centre, Doddington Camp 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 16c. Miss R. Walch, Wychdale, Colleys Lane, Willaston, Nantwich	Willaston Wistaston		Welfare Centre, Memorial Hall, Church Lane 2nd. & 4th. Wed. p.m. Wistaston Paediatric Clinic, Stalbridge Rd., Crewe 1st Fri. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 17a Mrs. A. Clayton, 28, Lawton Road, Alsager, Stoke-on-Trent	Barthomley Church Lawton	Crewe (Rural) Haslington Odd Rode	Welfare Centre, Yoxall Institute, Haslington 2nd & 4th Tues. p.m. Welfare Centre, Parish Hall, Odd Rode 2nd & 4th Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, Methodist Sunday School, 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m. Mow Cop Welfare Centre, The Institute, Rode Heath 1st & 3rd Man. p.m. E.N.T. Clinic, Marriott House, Sandbach 4th Fri. a.m.
DISTRICT No. 17b Miss A. Mullany§ The Dowery, Barker Street, Nantwich	Crewe M.B. (South Distric	ct)	
Miss B. Price, § c/o 29, Lawton St.,	Crewe M.B. (Central Distr	rict)	
Crewe Mrs. L. M. D. Atkinson,* 12, Crewe Road. Shavington	Crewe M.B. (East District))	
Miss E. Broom,* 10, Clifton Avenue,	Crewe M.B. (North Centra	l District)	Paediatric Clinic, Ludford Street, Crewe 3rd Fri. p.m. (Tel. Crewe 2376)
Miss J. S. Reid,* 199, Edleston Road,	Crewe M.B. (West & Copp	oenhall District)	E.N.T. Clinic, Ludford Street, Crewe 3rd Fri. a.m.
Crewe *These Health Visitors also other Clinics listed o		he four	Child Welfare Clinic, Ludford Street, Crewe Thurs. a.m. & p.m. M.A. Clinic, Ludford Street, Crewe Mon. & Wed. a.m. Ante & Post Natal Clinic, Ludford Street, Wed. p.m. Crewe Eye Clinic, Ludford Street, Crewe Wed. a.m.
§ These Health Visitors also a	attend the Clinics	listed opposite.	Child Welfare Clinic, Stalbridge Road, Crewe Man. p.m. & Wed. a.m. (Tel. Crewe 2450) M.A. Clinic, Stalbridge Road, Crewe Tues, a.m. Eye Clinic, Stalbridge Road, Crewe As required Paediatric Clinic, Stalbridge Road, Crewe 1st Fri. p.m. Ante and Post Natal Clinic, Stalbridge Road, Thurs. p.m.

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DISTRICT No. 17c. Miss E. G. Smith 42, Primrose Avenue, Haslington, Crewe	Alsager U.D. Betchton	Hassall Smallwood	Welfare Centre, St. Mary's Sunday Schoo lst, 3rd & 5th Tues. r.m. Alsage M.A. Clinic, 15, Centre Court, Alsager Mon.—Fri. a.m. (Tel. Alsa er 628) E.N.T. Clinic, 15, Centre Court, Alsager 2nd Mon. p.m. Eye Clinic, 15, Centre Court, Alsager lst Thurs. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 18a. Miss M. A. Cowley, Parkfield, Middlewich Road, Northwic	Antrobus Appleton h	Grappenhall Stretton	Welfare Centre, Methodist Sunday School, Tues. p.m. Grappenhal Welfare Centre, Parish Hall, Antrobus 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 18b. Miss M. Newbold, 62, Fairfield Gardens, Stockton Heath, Warrington	Stockton Heath		Welfare Centre, 65, Whitefield Road, Stockton Mon. p.m. Heath (Tcl. S.H. 925) M.A. Clinic, 65, Whitefield Road, Stockton Thurs. a.m. Heath Eye. Clinic, 65, Whitefield Road, Stockton 4th Tucs. p.m. Heath
DISTRICT No. 19 Miss F. L. Govan, 29, Eagle Brow, Lymm, Warrington	Lymm U.D. High Legh	Warburton	Welfare Centre 29, Eagle Brow, Lymm Tucs, p.m. (Tel. Lymm 277) M.A. Clinic, 29, Eagle Brow, Lynnn Wed. a.m., 2nd & 4th Wed. p.m. Eye Clinic. 29, Eagle Brow, Lymm 4th Thurs, p.m.
DISTRICT No. 20. Mrs. E. Heywood,* 647, Altrincham Road, Wythenshawe, Manchester, 2		Mersey Wards)	Welfare Centre, 70, Chapel Road, Sale Tues. p.m. Welfare Centre, Brookes Institute, Sale Fri. p.m.
Miss H. Wingfield,* 70, Chapel Road, Sale (Tel, Sale 1329)	Sale M.B. (Sale Moor W	Vard)	Welfare Centre, Community Centre, Sale Thurs. p.m. Sun-ray Clinic, 70, Chapel Road, Sale Mon. & Fri. p.m.
Mrs. M. Holmes* 60, Broad Road, Sale	Sale M.B. (St. Anne's &	& St. John's Wards)	Welfare Centre, 70, Chapel Road, Sale Tues. & Thurs. p.n. Ante and Post Natal Clinic, 70, Chapel Road, Wed. p.m. Sale
Miss B. Cunliffe,* 76, Harboro' Road, Sale	Sale M.B. (St. Mary's, S Brooklands		Welfare Centre 70, Chapel Rcad, Sale Welfare Centre, Raglan Road, Sale Tues. p.m.
*These Health Visitors also at the Clinics opposite.	tend on rota		Eye Clinic, 70, Chapel Road, Sale Mon., a.m. Immunisation Clinic 70, Chapel Road, Sale 2nd Wed. p.m. M.A. Clinic, 70, Chapel Road, Sale Wed. a.m.
DISTRICT No. 21a. Miss E. Edwards, Top Flat, I, Hawthorn Road, Hale, Altrincham	Hale U.D. (North, Central Ashley	& West Wards)	M.A. Clinic, 9, Broomfield Lane, Hale (Tel. Alt. 4653) Mon. & Fri. p.m., Wed. a.m. Welfare Centre, 9, Broomfield Lane, Hale 2nd—5th Wed. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, 9, Broomfield Lane, Hale 1st W d. p.m. Eye Clinic, 9, Broomfield Lane, Hale
Miss A. Milvenan, I, Bollin Court, Bowdon, Altrincham	Bowdon U.D. Hale U.D. (Hal Ringway	e Barns Ward) Rostherne Tatton	Tues. a.m. Welfare Centre, Methodist Schoolroom, 2nd & 4th Thurs. p.m. Bowdon Welfare Centre, 9, Broomfield Lane, Hale 2nd—th Wed. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, 9, Broomfield Lane, Hale 1st Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, Unitarian School Room, Hale 1st & 3rd Thurs. p.m. Barns
Miss L. E. H. Tripp,	Agden Bollington Carrington	Dunham Massey Millington Partington	Welfare Centre, St. Mary's Institute, 1st & 3rd Thurs. p.m. Partington

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DISTRICT No. 21b. (cont.) Mrs. F. Pickering, 27, Fairholome Road, Daverham, Northwich	Altrincham M.B. (Dunham & North Wards)	M.A. Clinic, 12, The Mount, Altrincham Even months Mor. a.m. (Tel. Alt. 1733) Welfare Centre, 12, The Mount, Altrincham Wed. p.m.
Mrs. M. L. Baker, 20, Delahays Road, Hale, Altrincham	Altrincham M.B. (East, Central & South Wes Wards)	Vacc. & Imm. Clinic, 12, The Mount, 2nd Wed. a.m. Altrincham Welfare Centre, 12, The Mount, Altrincham Mon. & Wed. p.m. E.N.T. Clinic, 12, The Mount, Altrincham 1st Thurs. a.m. M.A. Clinic, 12, The Mount, Altrincham
Miss G. E. Berry, 12, Nethercroft Road, Timperley, Altrincham	Altrincham M.B. (Timperley No. 1 & No. 3 Wa	Odd months Mon. a.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, 145, Pa.k Rd., Timperley
Miss D. Whitworth, 6, Wilton Street, Prestwich, (Tel. Pre. 1185) Lancs.	Altrincham M.B. (Timperley No. 2 & No. 4 W	M.A. Clinic 145, Park Rd., Timperley
DISTRICT No. 22a Miss C. M. Marsh, 10, Hawthorn Walk, Wilmslow,	Alderley Edge U.D. Wilmslow U.D. Chorley (Hough Great War Ward) Marthall Mobberley	Welfare Centre, 3, Alma Lane, Wilmslow Thurs, p.m. ford Welfare Centre, Victory Hall, Mobberley Alternate Tucs p.m. Welfare Centre, Church Institute, Alderley Fri. p.m. Edge E.N.T. Clinic, 3, Alma Lane, Wilmslow Even months 4th Wcd. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 22b Mrs. B. E. Crosby, 27, Earle Road, Bramhall, Stockport	Wilmslow U.D. (Styal and Handforth Wards) Hazel Grove and Bramhall U. (Woodford and South Ward	
DISTRICT No. 22c Miss D. M. Bowers, I, Albany Road, Wilmslow,	Wilmslow U.D. (Dean Row, Fulshaw and Morley Wards)	Welfare Centre, 3, Alma Lane, Wilmslow Thurs. p.m. M.A. Clinic, 3, Alma Lane, Wilmslow Thurs. a.m. Eye Clinic, 3 Alma Lane, Wilmslow 1st Tues. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 23a Miss M. Spencer, 2, Elm Drive, Macclesfield	Bosley Nether Alderle Chelford Over Alderle Eaton Prestbury Gawsworth Siddington Henbury Somerford Hulme Walfield Somerford E Marton Snelson Mottram-St Andrew North Rode Withington	lst & 3rd Wed. p.m. (Tel. Boll. 2376)
DISTRICT No. 23b. Miss M. D. Watson, 6a, Elm Drive Macclesheld (Tel. Macc. 2105) Miss F. M. Yates, 17, Newhall Street, Macclesheld	Macclesfield M.B. (Central District) Macclesfield M.B. (South West District)	Welfare Centre, Sanders Sq., Macclesfield Thurs. p.m. (Tel. Macc. 3800) Welfare Centre, 52, Bridge Street, Macclesfield (Tel. Macc. 5501) 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Tues p.m., Mon. p.m. Fri. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, 52, Bridge Street, Maccles-let & 3rd Wed. p.m. field Welfare (entre. Sanders Square, Macclesheld Thurs. & Fri. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Sanders Square, Macclesheld Thurs. Sanders Square, Macclesheld Clinic, Sanders Square, Macclesheld Street (Sanders Square, Macclesheld Clinic, Sanders Square, Macclesheld Street (Sanders Square, Macclesheld)
		4th Wed. p.m. M.A. Clinic, Sanders Square, Macclesfield Mon. & Thurs. a.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Hurdsfield House, Macc. 2nd Wed. p.m. (Tel. Macc. 3282) Ante-Natal Clinic, 52, Bridge Street, Macc. 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m.

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District No. 23b(cont.) Miss A. Grills, Springfield (Flat 3), Byron's Lane, Macclesfield	Macclesfield M.B. (North East District)	Welfare Centre, Hurdsfield House, Maccles- Thurs. p.m., 1st Tues. p.m. field Ante-Natal Clinic, Hurdsfield House, Macc. 2nd Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, 52, Bridge Street, Macc. 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Tues. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Sanders Square, Macc. 4th Wed p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, 52, Bridge Street, Macc.
Miss T. Martin, 52, Bridge Street, Macclesfield	Macclesfield M.B. (North West District)	lst & 3rd Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, Sanders Square, Macclesfield Alt. Fri. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, 52, Bridge Street, Macc. 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, 52, Bridge Street, Macc. Mon. & Fri. p.m. M.A.Clinic, Pierce Street, Macclesfield (Tel. Macc. 3053) 1st Mon. p.m., Tues & Fri. a.m., Thurs. p.m.
Miss N. R. Williams, Ivy Cottage, Snelson, Chelford, Macclesfield	Macclesfield M.B. (South East District)	Eye Clinic, Pierce Street, Macclesfield 1st Mon. p.m., 1st, 3rd & 4th Tues. p.m. 4th Thurs. a.m. E.N.T. Clinic, Pierce Street, Macclesfield 1st Fri. a.m. Welfare Centre, Heyes Hall, Weston Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, Hurdsfield House, Macc. Thurs. p,m, 1st Tues. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Hurdsfield House, Macc, 2nd Wed. p.m M.A. Clinic, Pierce Street, Macclesfield 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Mon. p.m. & Wed. a.m. Welfare Centre, Sanders Square, Macclesfield
There is also a part-time S Mrs. P. Swindells, 63, Byron Street, Macclesfield	chool Nurse,	Alt. Fri. p.m. Ante-Natal Clinic, Sanders Square, Macc. 4th Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, 52, Bridge Street, Macc. 1st Mon. p.m., 2nd Tues. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 24 Miss L. Jacks, Abbey Croft, Abbey Road, Sandbach	Sandbach U.D. Brereton Arclid Elton Bradwall	Welfare Centre, Marriott House, Sandbach Tues. p.m. (Tel. Sandbach 309) M.A. Clinic, Marriott House, Sandbach Fri. a.m. Eye Clinic, Marriott House, Sandbach 2nd 3rd & 4th Mon. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 25 Miss M. Corbishley, Moss Head Farm, Gawsworth, Macclesfield (Tel. Sutton 343)	Congleton M.B. (Buglawton & South Wards) Moreton-cum-Alcumlow Newbold Astbury	Welfare Centre, 12, West Street, Congleton Mon. p.m. (Tel. Congleton 169) Ante. Natal Clinic, 12, West Street, Congleton Fri. p.m.
Miss E. Foster, Brentor, Lower Heath, Congleton	Congleton M.B. (North & West Wards)	M.A. Clinic, Park Street, Congleton Fri. a.m. (Tel. Cong. 2095) Eye Clinic, Park Street, Congleton 2nd Wed. p.m. E.N.T. Clinic, Park Street, Congleton Odd months 4th Thurs. a.m. Welfare Centre, 12, West Street, Congleton Mon. p.m.
DISTRICT No. 26a Mrs. M. B. Batty, 14, Parrswood Court, Manchester, 20	Cheadle and Gatley U.D. (Cheadle Hulme and Adswood Wards)	M.A. Clinic, All Saints' Parish Room, Cheadle Wed. p.m., Hulme Welfare Centre, All Saints' Parish Room, Alt. Tues. p.m. Cheadle Hulme Welfare Centre, Mission Hall, Adswood 1st & 3rd Mon. p.m. Eye Clinic, All Saints' Parish Room, Cheadle As required
DISTRICT No. 26b. Miss W. C. Heron, 83, Turves Road, Cheadle Hulme	Cheadle and Gatley U.D. (Cheadle Wards)	M.A. Clinic Brookfield, Wilmslow Road, Mon. a.m. Cheadle (Tel. Gatley 6290) Welfare Centre, Brookfield, Wilmslow Road, Tues. p.m. & 3rd Wed. p.m. Cheadle E.N.T. Clinic, Brookfield, Wilmslow Road, Even months 3rd Mon. p.m. Cheadle Eye Clinic Brookfield, Wilmslow Road, 2nd & 3rd Thurs. a.m. Cheadle

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DISTRICT No. 26c Miss N. Hecnan, 146, Edgeley Road, Cheadle Heath, Stockport	Cheadle and Gatley U.D. (Gatley & Heald Green Wards)	Welfare Centre, Methodist Church, Heald 1st & 3rd Thurs. p.m. Green Ante-Natal Clinic, Brookfield, Wilmslow Road, Fri. p.m. Cheadle Welfare Centre, Cong. Sunday School, 2nd & 4th Thurs. p.m. Gatley
DISTRICT No. 27. Miss G. M. Bullough, 4, Belvoir Avenue, Hazel Grove, Nr. Stockport (Tel. Poynton 3279)	Hazel Grove and Bramhall U.D. (North & East Wards)	Welfare Centre, 253, London Road, Hazel Tues. p.m. & Thurs. p.m. Grove M.A. Clinic, 253, London Road, Hazel Grove Tues. a.m., (Tel. Stepping Hill, 3022) Ante-Natal Clinic, 253, London Road, Hazel Wed. p.m. Grove Lyt & 4th Thurs. a.m. E.N.T. Clinic, 253, London Road, Hazel Grove Lyt & 4th Thurs. a.m. E.N.T. Clinic, 253, London Road, Hazel Grove Even manths, 3rd Thurs. a.m. Immunisation Clinic, 253, London Road, 2nd Thurs. a.m.
DISTR:CT No. 28. Miss M. R. Adamson, 47, Ovenhouse Lane, Bollington, Macclesfield	Bollington U.D Rainow Hurdsfield Sutton Macclesfield Wildboarclough Forest Wincle	Welfare Centre, Wellington Road, Bollington (Tel. Boll. 2376) 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m. M.A. Clinie, Wellington Road, Bollington Tues. a.m. Welfare Centre, Lane Ends Club, Sutton 2nd & 4th Wed. p.m. Eye Clinie, Wellington Road, Bollington 2nd Tues. p.m. E.N.T. Clinie, Wellington Road, Bollington Even manths 3rd Thurs p.m.
DISTRICT No. 29a. Miss S. Morris, 100, Wellington Road No. Stockport	Bredbury and Romiley U.D. (Bredbury Area) orth,	Welfare Centre, Lower Bent's Lane, Bredbury 1st Tues. p.m., 2nd—5th Tues. a.m. & p.m. M.A. Clinie, Lower Bent's Lane, Bredbury Thurs. a.m. (Tel. Woodley 2892) Ante-Natal Clinie, Lower Bent's Lane, Mon. p.m. Bredbury Eye Clinic, Lower Bent's Lane, Bredbury 2nd Thurs. a.m. Immunisation Clinic, Lower Bents Lane, 4th Thurs. a.m. Bredbury
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DISTRICT No. 29c. Miss C. Makin,* 212, Astley Street, Dukinfield Miss M. E. Slack,* 11, Shaw Hall Avenue, Hyde	Stalybridge M.B. (Lancashire Ward) Stalybridge M.B. (Staley Ward)	Welfare Centre, Mechanics' Institute, Tues, & Wcd. p.m. Stalybridge (Tel. Stalybridge 2304) Welfare Centre, Mechanics' Institute, Tucs p.m. Stalybridge 2 clinic, Mechanics' Institute, Stalybridge 2 rd, 3 rd, & 4th Tues, a.m.
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Miss F. Richardson, Barton Villa, Crescent Road, Dukinfield	Stalybridge M.B. (Dukinfield Ward)	M.A. Clinic, Mechanics' Institute, Stalybridge Man., Wed. & Fri. a.m. Welfare Centre, Mechanics' Institute, Wed. o.m. Welfare Centre, Huddersfield Rd., Millbrook, Man. p.m.
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Miss. C. Hellings, Barton Villa, Crescent Road, Dukinfield	Dukinfield M.B. (East Ward part)	M.A. Clinic, King Street, Dukinfield Man., Tues., Wed. & Thurs. a.m. Eye Clinic, King Street, Dukinfield 1st, 2nd & 4th Fri. p.m. E.N.T. Clinic King Street, Dukinfield 4th Mon. p.m.
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DISTRICT No. 31a. Miss D. Wood, 8, Marina Drive, Rose Hill, Marple, Stockport	Longdendale U.D. Tintwistle R.D.	Welfare Centre, Wedneshaugh Green, 1st & 3rd Thurs. p.m Hollingwort M.A. Clinic, Wedneshaugh Green, Tues. p.m. Hollingwort Welfare Centre, Christ Church School, 2nd & 4th Thurs. p.m. Tintwistl Welfare Centre, Wesleyan School, 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m. Broadbotton Immunisation Clinic, Wedneshaugh Green 2nd Mon. p.m. Hollingwort
DISTRICT No. 31b, Miss F. Lonsdale,* Woodhaven, Woodend Lane, Hyde (Tel. Hyde 739)	Hyde M.B. (Godiey Ward pt. i)	Welfare Centre, Parsonage Street, Hyde Wed. p.m. (Tel. Hyde 828 Ante-Natal Clinic, Parsonage Street, Hyde ist & 3rd Thurs. a.m.
Miss M. E. Marsh* Thornbank, Mottram Road, Hyde	Hyde M.B. (Newton Ward pt. i)	Welfare Centre, Parsonage Street, Hyde Thurs. p.m. Welfare Centre, Bayley Hall, Hyde Fri. p.m. (Tel. Hyde 265
(Tel. Hyde 160)		11t. p.m. (1ci. 11yuc 20)
Miss N. P. M. Trahan,* 212, Astley Street, Dukinfield (Tel. Ashton 1689)	Hyde M.B. (Godley Ward pt. ii, Newton Ward pt. iii)	Welfare Centre, Parsonage Street, Hyde Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, Bayley Hall, Hyde Mon. p.m.
Miss M. Taylor,* I, Erskine Road, Blackley, Manchester, 9	Hyde M.B. (Werneth Ward, Newton Ward pt. ii)	Welfere Centre, Parsonage Street, Hyde Thur. p.m. Specialist's Eye Clinic, Reform Club, Hyde 1st & 3rd Mon. p.m. D.M.O's. Eye Clinic, Reform Club, Hyde 2nd & 4th Tues. a.m.
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DISTRICT No. 32b. Miss B. Brewster, Spout House Farm, Strines, Stockport (Tel. Marple 1494)	Marple U.D. (Cent. & South Wards) Disley R.D.	Welfare Centre, Parish Hall, Marple Wed. p.m. Welfare Centre, Conservative Club, High Lan Alt. Tues. p.m. Welfare Centre, Gleneil House, Disley Alt. Tues. p.n. (Tel. Disley 62 M.A. Clinic, Parish Hall, Marple Wed. a.m. Eye Clinic, Parish Hall, Marple 3rd Thurs. a.m.
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	Miss B. Walker	Chester Minniffordd, High Street, Tarvin,	Tarvin	240
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Bunbury Burton	Mrs. E. C. Hurst* Miss M. Jones*		Bunbury	367 230
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Chelford	Miss J. Hughes*	Church House, Chelford, Maeelesfield	Chelford	314
Cholmondeley	y Miss M. Broeklehurst	* Nurse's Cottage, Biekley Moss, Whitehureh	Cholmond- eley	268
Combermere	Miss W. A. George*	1, Council Houses, Newhall Lane, Aston, Nantwich	Aston (Nantwieh	
Congleton	Mrs. R. Ward	24, The Westlands, Congleton	Congleton	2104
Crewe	Miss C. Moss	5, Tynedale Avenue, Crewe	Crewe	3947
	Mrs. E. Heap	225, Wheelman Road, Crewe	Crewe	3163
Daresbury	Miss G. Roberts*	Delph Cottage, Daresbury, Warrington	Moore	266
Davenham	Miss M. Buckley*	437, London Road, Davenham, Northwich	Northwieh	3027
Delamere	Miss D. E. Joseph*	Wayside, Cotebrook, Tarporley	Little Budworth	391
Disley	Mrs. A. Rodger*	Grenaghan, Hollinwood Road, Disley, Stockport	Disley	298
Doddington	Miss M. A. Edwards*	Nantwieh	Wybunbury	345
Dodleston	Mrs. M. E. Pilliner*	30, St. Mary's Rd., Dodleston, Chester	Kinnerton	264
Dukinfield	Miss E. M. Ambler Miss M. W. Stratton	212, Astley Street, Dukinfield 293, King Street, Dukinfield	Ashton	1689
Dunham Massey	Miss W. Lewis	Thornlea, Station Road, Partington, Urmston,	Irlam	264
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Goostrey	Miss G. Magee*	Booth Bank Road, Goostrey, Crewe	Holmes Chapel	3244
Grappenhall	Miss P. M. Baker	30, George's Crescent, Grappenhall, Warrington	Grappenhall	275
Great Budworth	Mrs. D. Sherratt*	Rose Bank, Marbury Lane, Comberbach, Northwich	Comberbach	279
Hale Barns	Miss L. W. Saunders*	380, Hale Road, Hale Barns, Altrincham	Ringway	4113
Halton Handforth	Mrs. G. M. Williams* Miss M. E. Bailey*	47, Main Street, Halton, Runeorn Oak Brow Cottage, Styal,	Runeorn	2597
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Higher	Miss M. R. Davies	216, Higher Bebington Road,	Heswall	710
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Sutton High Lanc	Miss F. Boast*	Macclesfield 27, Parkside Close, High Lane,	Sutton	363
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Ince	Miss H. Sutton Mrs. E. Parker*	17, Henry Street, Hyde Park Wood, Dunham Hill,	Hyde	488
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Little Leigh		Northwich	Comberbach	275
Little Sutton	Mrs. V. Sandbach	22, Glenwood Road, Little Sutton Wirral	Hooton	2110
Lostock Gralam	Miss M. Morris*	337, Manchester Road, Lostock Gralam, Northwich	Northwich	3046
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Macclesfield	Miss K. M. Tanner Miss M. Otter	11, Northgate Avenue, Maccles- field	Maccles- field	2169
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Malpas	Mrs. D.M.T. Brooks*	Macclesfield 5, Springfield Road, Malpas	Macclesfield Malpas	4887 96
Marple	Miss C. Turner*	19, Greenbank Crescent, Mount Drive Estate, Marple	Marple	361
Marple Bridge	Miss N. Grecnleaf*	The Cottage, Lower Fold, Marple Bridge, Stockport	Marple	166
Marston	Mrs. E. Davies*	Brackley, Pickmere Lane, Pickmere, Knutsford	Pickmerc	242
Middlewich	Miss E.M.Adamson* \ Miss G. Benger*	Hayward, Croxton Lane,	Middlewich	151
Mobberley	Miss B. H. Harrop	18, Edenfield Av., Mobberley Knutsford	Mobberley	3132
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Odd Rode	Miss H. M. Riehard-	Norley, Warrington 2, Drenfell Road, Scholar Greer		265
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Prestbury	Miss M. A. Wright*	Stockport 7, Bollinside, Prestbury	Poynton	2137
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		Macclesfield	Bollington	2184
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Runeorn	Mrs. E. Booth	54, Heath Road South, Weston, Runcorn	Runeorn	2342
	Mrs. F. Fowles	26, Hazel Avenue, Runeorn	Runcorn	2849
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	Mrs. W. F. Raad	107, Royton Avenue, Sale	Sale	6135
Sandbaeh	Miss N. W. Evans*	5, Elworth Street, Sandbach	Sandbaeh	256
Sandiway	Miss M. L. O'Leary*	5, Elworth Street, Sandbaeh The Cottage, Glebe Road,	Sandbaeh	256
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	•	Chester	Saughall	200
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	Mis. E. II. Slatel	Stalybridge	Stalybridge	2448
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Tilston	Miss N. Priest*	Fern Lea, Tilston, Malpas	Tilston	249
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**	Miss A. Grigaitis	26, Grove Lane, Timperley	Ringway Ringway	3495
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	Mrs. E. L. L.	Northwich	Weaverham	3160
337 T 1	Hampson*	"Sunfield", Forest Road, Cuddington, Northwich.	Sandiway	2163
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Wistaston	Miss S. G. Black*	37, Coppice Road, Willaston, Nantwich	Crewe	7109
Witton	Mrs. I. Owen	"Dinastre", Lime Av., Leftwich, Northwich	Ciewe	7107
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Macelesfield	Mrs. B. J. Whittaker		Lymm	725
	Miss E. E. Hancell (53) Miss G.H. Robinson	64, High Street, Macclesfield	Macclesfield	3766 4344
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		Middlewich	Middlewich	167

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Partington	Wiss A. Office (24)	93, Victoria Road, Northwich	Northwich	3025			
Runcorn	Miss E. M. Grice (17a)		Runcorn	3602			
	Miss E. Edwards (18)	30, Heath Road Crescent, Runcorn	Runcorn	3602			
	Miss P. Noon (19) Miss B. Smith (20)	10, Stanley Villas, Runcorn 21, Russell Road, Runcorn	Runcorn Runcorn	2556 2013			
Sale	Mrs. I. E. Thompson	21, Russell Road, Rulleolli	Runcom	2013			
	(36)	6, Lansdowne Road, Sale	Salc	1140			
Sandbach	Mrs. D. Lindley (38) Miss M. Beatty (45)	47, Alderley Road, Sale 5, Coronation Crescent,	Sale	4383			
Sandbach	Wiss Wi. Deatty (43)	Sandbach					
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Stalybridge	Miss Sowerbutts (58)	21, Shakespearc Avenue, Millbrool Stalybridge	c Stalybridge	2151			
	Miss N. Robinson (59)	6, Acres Lanc, Stalybridge	Stalybridge	2821			
	Mrs. F. Dent (60)	16, Ash Grove, Stalybridge	Stalybridge	2281			
Stockton	Mrs. A. J. Carroll (22)	1, Stetchworth Road, Walton,	Caralas II.	(11			
Heath Upton and	Mrs E McAllister (15)	Warrington 73, Green Lane, Vicar's Cross,	Stockton Heath	1 611			
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Cross	Miss I. B. Jones (16)	18, Bache Avenue, Liverpool Road,	C1	0400=			
Weaverham	Miss J. Wolahan (23)	Chester 49, Wallerscote Road, Weaverham	Chester Weaverham	21097 2116			
Winsford	Mrs. M. Court (25)	117, Delamere Street, Over,	weavernam	2110			
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	R	ELIEF MIDWIVES					
Mrs. E	Horne 93, Moor	rhouse Avenue, Alsager	Alsager	602			
Mrs. E.	M. Thompson 19, Shipl	brook Avenue, Rudheath,		2402			
	North		Northwich	3192			
	COUNTY	DENTAL NURSES (4)					

Wirs.	D. Comyn	Spring Villa, Upton Park, Chester.
Miss	H. Howarth	700, Borough Road, Birkenhead
Mrs.	M. A. Ramsbottom	26, Siddall Road, Bramhall, Stockport
Miss	G. Rees	46, George's Crescent, Grappenhall, Warrington.

COUNTY DENTAL ATTENDANTS (20)

Miss M. Aspden	16, Jenny Lanc, Woodford, Bramhall, Stockport
Miss J. Bartley	27, Tarvin Road, Chester.
Mrs. E. I. Cooke	250, Birch Lane, Dukinfield
Mrs. M. Cowsill	61, Hale Road, Hale, Altrineham
Mrs. B. A. Doyle	27, Lower Fold, Marple Bridge, Stockport
Miss D. Fellowes	14, Rosslyn Drive, Moreton, Wirral
Miss D. Griffin	111, Allport Lane, Bromborough
Mrs. L. Holland	3, School Drive, Barnton, Nr. Northwich
Miss A. Kealey	The Ley, Winnington, Northwich.
Miss B. Lawrence	233, Chester Road, Hartford, Cheshire
Miss B. Nightingale	7, Mortlake Crescent, Chester
Mrs. A. G. Parry	26, Barlow Moor Road, Didsbury, Manchester, 20.
Mrs. V. B. Potter	70, Lorraine Road, Timperley
Mrs. L. P. Rees	86, Bond Street, Macclesfield.
Miss G. B. Shore	Heath Lca, Bunbury, Nr. Tarporley
Miss D. Smith	30, Willow Grove, Hoole, Chester.
Mrs. F. A. Underwood	11, Earl Street, Edgeley, Stockport
Miss S. Wcbberley	Spring Bank, Timbersbrook, Congleton
Mrs. J. Wilkinson	26, Rossett Avenue, Timperley, Altrincham

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Residence 239, Greenbank Road, West Kirby (Tel. Hoylake 3071).	15, Durban Avenue, Christleton, Chester (Tel. Chester 35113).	12, Weston Crescent, Runcorn (Tel. Runcorn 2426)	Kensyd, Delamere Street, Winsford (Tel. Winsford 3352)	Northwood, Millfields, Nantwich (Tel. Nantwich 5545).	180, Crewe Road, Alsager (Tel. Alsager 174)	32, Sefton Road, Sale (Tel. Sale 3408).	18, Stanley Road, Knutsford (Tel. Knutsford 506).	Ainsdale, Gawsworth Road, Maccles- field (Tel. Macclesfield 2976).	Coniston, Goyt Crescent, Brinnington, Stockport (Tel. Stockport 3145).	28, Pickford Lane, Dukinfield (Tel. Ashton 1128).
Office 218, Bebington Road, Bebington (Tel. Rock Ferry 1155)	11b, Newgate Street, Chester (Tel. Chester 24520)	District Offices, Waterloo Road, Runcorn (Tel. Runcorn 2608)	Brunner Guildhall, High Street, Winsford (Tel. Winsford 3346)	21, Pillory Street, Nantwich (Tel. Nantwich 5545)	1, Gatefield Street, Crewe (Tel. Crewe 2478)	1, Claremont Road, Sale (Tel. Sale 2305)	Bexton Road, Knutsford (Tel. Knutsford 506)	11-13 Church Street, Macclesfield (Tel. Macclesfield 4908)	District Offices, 59b, Shaw Heath, Stockport (Tel. Stockport 4422)	28, Pickford Lane, Dukinfield (Tel. Ashton 1128)
Name E. M. Harborow	I., A. R. Kingaby	F. Sterry	E. Platt	F. H. Mills	R. E. Broach	W. H. Driver	R. Dixon	L. W. Lyon	C. G. Owens	J. Thompson
No. and District Wirral	West	Runcorn	Mid-Cheshire	Nantwich	Crewe & Sandbach	Altrincham & Sale	Bucklow & Wilmslow	Macclesfield & Congleton L. W. Lyon	North-East	Hyde & Stalybridge
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DAY NURSERIES

Altrincham M.B. 1, Gaskell Road (Tel. Altrincham 3621).

Matron-Mrs. W. Helliwell

The Bradmoor, Bromborough (Tel. Brom-Matron—Mrs. F. G. Davies borough 1381) Bebington M.B.

borough 1381)

Bradshaw House, Lawton Street (Tel. Congleton Congleton M.B.

Matron-Mrs. H. E. Knight

Dukinfield M.B. Dewsnap Lane (Tel. Ashton-u-Lyne 3136).

Matron-Mrs. C. J. Bell

Whitby Road (Tel. Ellesmere Port 1357). Ellesmere Port M.B.

Matron-Mrs. R. F. Chroston

South Park, Poplar Road (Tel. Macclesfield 3751) Macclesfield M.B.

Matron-Mrs. M. Dean

1, Glegg Street (Tel. Macclesfield 2813).

Matron-Miss R. A. Graham Nicholson Avenue, Hurdsfield

Matron-Mrs. L. Potts (Tel. Macclesfield 4225)

Sale M.B. Harley Road (Tel. Sale 4627).

Matron-Mrs. E. Howitt

Bollington U.D. Buntings Field, Wellington Road (Tel. Boll.

Matron-Mrs. I. Helme 3294).

Bredbury & Romiley U.D. Highfield Park Road, Bredbury (Tel. Woodley

Matron-Mrs. E. M. Applegate 2817).

Hazel Grove & Queen's Road, Hazel Grove (Tel. Stepping Hill Bramhall U.D. 2048)

Matron—Miss F. H. Dunn

Okell Street (Tel. Runcorn 2461). Runcorn U.D. Matron-Mrs. M. Jones

WRENBURY HALL TUBERCULOSIS REHABILITATION CENTRE

Medical Superintendent—P. W. Edwards, M.B.E., M.B., Ch.B. Warden and Manager-L. T. Burton

MOTHERS' AND BABIES' HOME

Prospect House, 7, Trinity Road, Hoylake (Tel. Hoylake 1054). Matron-Miss R. A. Barton

OCCUPATION CENTRES

Rigby Memorial School, Navigation Road, Altrincham. (Tel. Altrincham 4977). Supervisor-Mrs. D. M. Platt

Methodist Sunday School, Stockport Road, Gee Cross, Hyde (Tel. Hyde 1480) Supervisor—Mrs. M. Coombes

> 33, Great King Street, Macclesfield (Tel. Macclesfield 3407) Supervisor-Mrs. M. Cheadle

St. Mark's School, School Lane, Grove Street, New Ferry (Tel. Rock Ferry 1548) Supervisor-Mrs. F. A. M. Williams

CENTRAL OFFICE

24, Nicholas Street, Chester (Tel. Chester 22305-3 lines).

REPORT OF THE

County Medical Officer of Health

For the Year ended December 31st, 1954

Section I.-Area and Population

Area

The acreage of the County at the end of 1954 was 621,825 acres.

Population

The population of the Administrative County, as constituted 1/4/54 and enumerated at the Census of 1951, was 815,884. The estimate of the Registrar-General for mid-1954 was 831,400.

Rateable Value

The rateable value of the Administrative County of Cheshire for General County Rate purposes at 1/4/54 was £5,731,475. A penny rate over the whole County for 1954-55 represented the sum of £23,669 (estimated).

Health Service Premises

The following is a brief summary of the major works commenced or completed in the above year. In addition, many minor adaptations and improvements have been carried out at various buildings, and the normal programme of maintenance work has continued.

CLINIC CENTRES

Completed and taken over:

Weaverham Cheadle Stalybridge

Knutsford (Stage 2)

Hoylake

AMBULANCE DEPOTS

Commenced but not

completed:

Ellesmere Port

Runcorn Manse Garage

(purchase of property and scheme

of adaptations agreed)

OCCUPATION CENTRES

Adaptations completed:

Macclesfield, King Street, Altrincham, Rigby Memorial School

WRENBURY HALL COLONY

Completed and taken over: New Hostel Block

HOUSING

Conversion of 1 Hawthorn Road, Hale,

into two Flats

Section II.-Births and Deaths

The	figures	are	for	the	Administrative	County,	1954,	unless
otherwise	stated.							

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		Total.	Male	Female
Legitimate	******	11486	5914	5572
Illegitimate	******	423	215	208

Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population, 14.3.

				Total.	Male	Female
Stillbirths	******	20110102	********	318	170	148
Stillbirths	Rate	per 1 000	total	(live and	still) hirths	26:0

Total. Male Female
Deaths ____ 9924 5137 4787

Death Rate per 1,000 of population, 11.9.

The principal causes of death were as follows:—

				Rate
				per million
Disease.		N	o. of Deaths.	population.
Heart Disease	*************	*******	3253	3902
Malignant Diseases	******	*******	1642	1970
Vascular lesions of	fnervous	3		
system	DO+11***	******	1609	1930
Pneumonia	20020000	00110200	296	355
Tuberculosis (all for	rms)	*************	113	135
Pulmonary	0000000	********	96	115
Non-Pulmonary	у	*********	17	20
Nephritis	000+0-004	********	124	149
Bronchitis	dinorma	********	505	605

The deaths from the chief zymotic diseases were as follows:

Disease.		No.	of Deaths.	Rate per million population.
Diphtheria	*********	**********	***************************************	***************************************
Whooping Cough	neenonos	recovering.		
Measles	***************************************		4	4.7
Gastritis, Diarrhoea	and Enter	itis	39	46.7

The zymotic Death Rate was 0.05 per 1,000.

Infantile Mortality:-

Deaths of Infants in the Administ	rative		Under 1 year	Under 4 weeks
County during 1954		*******	297	208
Legitimate	******	0000000	284	201
Illegitimate	8****	0000000	13	7
All Infants per 1,000 live births •	\$650000	0000000	24.9	17.5
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimat	e live b	irths	24.7	17.5
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illeg	itimate	live		
births	******	********	30.7	16.5

The figures for deaths under one year in recent years are shown in the following diagram:—

INFANTILE MORTALITY



Deaths from Puerperal Causes:—

Rate per 1,000 total (live and still)

Deaths. Deaths.

Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ____ 5 0.4

Section III.-Vaccination and Immunisation

Under Section 26 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, the County Council has the duty of making available a full service of vaccination against smallpox and of immunisation against diphtheria; the organisation and management of the scheme has been devolved upon the Divisional Health Committees. Immunisation is also provided against whooping cough.

It is hoped that the attention now devoted to Health Services in general, and to this aspect in particular, will result in a considerable increase in vaccination, just as it has served to secure a wide response to the offer of immunisation. Immunisation is, in practice, meant for children, with particular attention to those under 5, but vaccination may on occasion be sought by persons of any age, and a recent amendment of the County Scheme has provided for this.

Arrangements made under the Council's scheme include participation by general practitioners and sessions at clinics.

During the year 1954, the number of persons vaccinated was as follows:—

		Vacci	nated	Re-Vaccinated
Under 1 year	******	*******	3970	1
Age 1 year	*******	*******	802	3
Age 2—4 years	******	******	299	25
Age 5—14	******	******	338	198
Age 15 years and over	*******	0 00 00 0x 0	491	1194

During the same period the number of children notified as having completed a full course of primary immunisation against diphtheria was as follows:—

Children under 5 years	8727
Children 5—14 years	1321
Total number of children who were	
given a secondary or reinforcing	
injection	6908

It is unfortunate that not all immunisations carried out are notified to the Local Health Authority and the above figures are therefore not complete. The number of children at 31st December, 1954, who had completed a full course of immunisation against diphtheria at any time before thatdate was as follows:—

Last complete course of injections (whether primary or booster)

	Born in Ye	ar	195054	1949 or earlier
	1954	80000000	1475	emplo halanan
	195053	*******	28233	
	194549	******	31296	23325
	1940—44	*******	16203	28062
Totals	1940—54	*******	77207	51387

The estimated mid-year child population for the year 1954 was as follows:—

Under 1 year	****	******	*****	11790
1—4 years	*****	******	*******	48410
5—14 years	·····	******	04000000	122800
Total under 15 ye	ears	******	*******	183000

During the year 1954 the number of children who completed a full course of immunisation against whooping cough was as follows:—

Under 1 year	9000000	******	2302
Age 1—4 years	******	*******	4395
Age 5—14 years	******	*******	681

Section IV.-Ambulance Service

The County Council is charged with the duty, under Section 27 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, to provide a comprehensive ambulance service throughout the County, free of charge to persons carried; the duty includes transport by car of persons who are unfit for public transport but do not need to be recumbent. The service is one which has been devolved for organisation and management within the approved estimates to Divisional Health Committees through out the County.

Arrangements are made to pay for the agency use of some Red Cross and St. John vehicles. In addition, there is a supplementary arrangement with the Voluntary Car service which, originally organised during the war, had been continued and paid for up to 5/7/48 by hospital authorities. Taxis and hired cars are also used as a supplementary service.

During 1954, delivery was taken of three Bedford Lomas ambulances ordered in 1953, and three Bedford Lomas Sitting case ambulances which were ordered in 1954.

Orders placed for three Bedford Lomas ambulances and seven Bedford Lomas sitting case ambulances for delivery in 1955, have already been completed.

The Runcorn ambulance service, which was previously run by a private contractor, became a directly provided service on 26th April, 1954.

The arrangements by which the County Boroughs of Chester, Stockport, and Warrington, and the Counties of Shropshire and Derbyshire provided an Ambulance Service in particular areas, or for special purposes, were continued, as was the arrangement whereby the County Borough of Liverpool and the County of Lancashire convey smallpox patients or others needing special disinfection. On the other hand Cheshire supplies the night time service for the Glossop area of Derbyshire.

For long distance journeys, use is made of the service provided by the Railway Executive for invalids, which comprises, for a small fee, a reserved compartment without payment of fares other than for the persons actually travelling. There are special arrangements for casual use, at an agreed fee, of other Authorities' ambulances, either at the far end of such a railway journey, or to meet special emergencies, and help is similarly given to other ambulance authorities. The whole-time ambulance staff now approved consists of the following:—

Supervisors	******	*******	0000000	******	10
Senior Drivers	and N	Iechani	cs	******	12
Driver Attend	ants	******	*******	*****	155
Others	0000000	+000000	99999994	40000000	1

The following schedule shews the work done by the service for the financial year 1954—5:—

TEM	Di	rectly Pro	Directly Provided Service	vice	Sup (includii	pplemen ng Hosp	Supplementary Service (including Hospital Car Service).		Transport by Rail
	Amb.	S.C.A.	S.C.C.	Total	Amb.	S.C.A.	S.C.C.	Total	Đ
1. No. of persons carried (excluding relatives, escorts and friends) (a) Section 27 patients (i) Accident or Emergency	11,173 106,338	557	583 55,188	12,313 177,940	709		613 18,395	1,322	
(iii)Total of (i) and (ii)	117,511	16,971	55,771	190,253	1,621		19,008	20,629	65
(b) Uther persons, e.g. persons taken to day nurseries, welfare institutions, occupational centres, clinics, special schools, etc.	811	15	315	1,141	_	1	82	83	1
(c) Grand total i.e. (a) (iii) and (b)	118,322	16,986	56,086	191,394	1,622		19,090	20,712	65
2. No. of jouneys by vehicles (a) Patient carrying journeys (b) Abortive and service journeys (c) Journeys for transport of analogsia	44,258	6,152	16,068	66,478	1,173		9,385	10,558	
apparatus, midwives, home nurses, etc.	163	81	426	670	1		_	-	1
(d) Total of (a) (b) and (c)	45,694	6,272	17,194	69,160	1,190		9,431	10,621	
3. Total mileage (incl. that in respect of 1 (b)	1 (b) 806,033	119,387	459,293	459,293 1,384,713	17,304		242,647	259,951	8,503
Population of service area 828,400* Acreage of service area 619,617* No. of ambulance stations— Directly provided service 16	4	No. of operation of S	erational veh Ambulances Sitting case v	No. of operational vehicles on establishment at 31st March, 1955:- Ambulances	stablishm wed wholl	ent at 3 53 23 y by De	lst March, rbyshire C	, 1955:—	

Section V.-Prevention of Illness, Care and After-care

General

Section 28 of the National Health Service Aet, 1946, gives permissive powers to the County Couneil to make a seheme for prevention of illness, and for the care and after-eare of persons suffering from illness. The County Couneil has a duty to make detailed arrangements for any disease the Ministry may specify. In this connexion, tuberculosis has been so specified, and much of the work, other than clinie and institutional provision, which was earried out for many years under the County Tuberculosis Scheme, is being continued under the new powers.

The arrangements under this section of the Act are among those which for organisation and management, within the approved estimates, have been devolved to Divisional Health Committees.

Tuberculosis

Consultant Chest Physicians, the main part of whose work at ehest clinics passed to the Regional Hospital Boards on the appointed day, are part-time officers of the County Council, and give Divisional Medical Officers all necessary advice in the sphere of care and aftercare; Health Visitors pay home visits to tuberculosis patients and help to seeure the attendance of contacts at the clinics. The loan of large items such as garden shelters, and the supply of smaller items such as sputum flasks, now form part of the general scheme for the provision of nursing equipment, of which details are given later.

Wrenbury Hall Industrial Training Colony has continued under the full ownership and control of the County Council, and arrangements are being made for eonsiderably extending the seope of the training given. During the year 1954, some 37 Cheshire trainees were admitted for industrial rehabilitation, and 32 from other local authorities. There are at present 25 colonists living in the hostel, of whom 5 are married, and 7 married colonists living with their families in cottages on the estate.

The following tables will enable a comparison to be made between 1954 and previous years in respect of the incidence of, and mortality due to, tuberculosis

Tuberculosis Statistics			
rubeleurosis Statistics	1954	1953	1952
New cases notified (primary) Pulmonary	371	433	449
New cases notified (primary) Non-pulmonary	87	81	119
Total	458	514	568
No. of cases remaining on Registers of Notifications kept by District M.O's.H., December 31st	5168	5207	5061
No. of Deaths from all forms of Tuberculosis	113	104	146
Death-rate from all forms of Tuberculosis per 1,000 of the population	0.13	0.12	0.18

Table relating to Tuberculosis in children under 16:—

Year	Number of Children notified as	Number of Children notified as suffering		ntage of otifications
Teat	suffering from Pulmonary Tuberculosis	from Non- Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Pulmonary	Non- Pulmonary
1945	14	124	2.9	65.6
1946	12	82	3.2	58.6
1947	20	121	4.3	62.1
1948	24	101	5.4	63.9
1949	21	73	4.8	59.3
1950	24	59	5.2	48.8
1951	30	63	6.9	55.3
1952	56	62	12.5	52.1
1953	55	45	12.7	55.6
1954	46	54	12.4	62.1

Table showing primary notifications and deaths from Tuberculosis during past 30 years:—

		Primar	V			ath rate
Year		tification		Deaths		oulation
1925	*******	883	******	510		.78
1926	******	939	*******	489	*******	.73
1927	*******	892	*******	488	******	.73
1928	******	932	******	499	0+000000	.74
1929	******	917	*****	465	******	.69
1930	*******	838	*******	438	*******	.64
1931	* *******	802	******	438	******	.64
1932	000+9+4+	751	00000000	460	******	.66
1933	*******	754	******	389	04000000	.57
1934	******	765	********	377	*******	.54
1935	********	739	*******	367	*******	.52
1936	******	752	*******	348	******	.49
1937	*******	799	******	373	*******	.52
1938	*******	802	*******	360	*******	.49
1939	6700 0000	709	******	358	******	.48
1940	F 400 0 0 0 0	674	******	403	*******	.52
1941	******	740	******	402	*******	.52
1942	*******	713	*******	302	*******	.40
1943	*****	685	*******	339	0000000	.46
1944	********	734	******	332	******	.45
1945	*******	669	D-000000	302	*******	.41
1946	*******	510	9***000	310	*****	.40
1947	******	655	******	296	*******	.38
1948	*******	601	000 000-50	279	******	.35
1949	*****	565	*******	266	******	.33
1950	*******	582	*******	195	******	.24
1951	****	546	*******	181	8+2+2++0	.22
1952	******	568	********	146	*******	.18
1953	******	514	*******	104	0400000	.12
1954	*****	458	90030000	113	80+1104+9	.13

The 1954 deaths are made up as follows:—

Pulmonary Non-Pulmonary	*******	 Male 68 6	Female 28 11	Total 96 17
		74	39	113

Death Rates, 1954—

All forms
Pulmonary
Non-Pulmonary
.13 per 1000 of population
.11 per 1000 of population
.02 per 1000 of population

Contacts.

During the year 1954, approximately 3,161 contacts of tuberculous patients were examined by Chest Physicians, with the co-operation of the health visitors who visited their homes whenever necessary. Particulars were sent, as usual to the Physicians of all tuberculosis deaths (whether of notified or unnotified cases) to assist in arrangements for contact examination.

Mass Miniature Radiography

During 1954, the following visits of the Mass Miniature Radiography Units took place:—

Manchester Unit-

Cheadle and Gatley 12th February to 10th May Alderley Edge and Wilmslow districts 17th May to 3rd June Knutsford 1st to 13th July

The following table gives the number of examinations made, and details of the abnormalities detected:—

details of the abhormanties detected	• •		
	Cheadle & Gatley	Alderley Edge & Wilmslow	Wassitafoud
NT 1 C 1 1 .			
Number of miniature examinations	9,560	5,388	2,343
Number recalled for large films	410	290	33
Number of abnormalities detected	556	399	38
Types of abnormalities:—			
(a) Tuberculous conditions			
(i) Inactive primary	83	49	4
(ii) Inactive post primary	116	69	14
(iii) Active post primary	14	11	2
	213	129	20
(b) Non-Tuberculous conditions (i) Abnormalities of bony thorax			
and Lungs	84	48	
(ii) Cardiac abnormalities	31	29	8
(iii) Bronchiectasis	22	22	1
			1
(iv) Others	206	171	9
	343	270	18

The opportunity was taken during these visits to arrange for the nursing, teaching, and children's department staff in the districts concerned to be examined on a voluntary basis.

Summary of Notifications during the period from the 1st January, 1954, to the 31st December, 1954.

PART I.—

FORMAL NOTIFICATIONS

		1	Vun				y No ubero			s of	new			
Age Periods	0-	1-	2-	- 5	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-		Total (all ages)
Respiratory, Males	2	=	6 4	11 10	6 7	16 27	17 28	43 38	32 17	33 13	37 2	1 4 6	2	219 152
Non-respiratory, Males Females		3	6	12	8 14	3 4	3	2 5	2 4		2 2	<u></u>	<u> </u>	41 46

PART II.—New cases of Tuberculosis coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health during the above-mentioned period, otherwise than by formal notification.

Source of							Nump	er of	Number of cases in	in ag	age Groups	sdnc				
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Death Returns from	Respiratory	FM 			— I						ю I	← 1	41	1 1	10	(B)(A)
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Death Returns from	Respiratory	F -				1 1	- 1		1 1	T 1		1	2 1	n ع	∞ 7	(A)
(Transferable deaths)	Non-Respiratory M	- T					1 1	1 1	1	1	1 [1-1	1		-4	© <u>@</u>
Posthumous Noti-	Respiratory	F -			1 1		!	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 —	1 1	1.1	1	(B)
1104110	Non-Respiratory I	F -	1 1							1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	[1	<u>©</u>
											E	Totals	E E E E		18 4 2 6	

B.C.G.

The County Council's proposals under Section 28 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, for B.C.G. vaccination of contacts of tuberculous persons were approved by the Minister on 24th October, 1949. They provided for B.C.G. vaccination, by and at the instance of a physician with specialist knowledge and experience of tuberculosis of contacts of patients suffering from tuberculosis, such contacts being found by medical tests to be capable of receiving protection from tuberculosis as a result of B.C.G. vaccination. In May, 1954 approval was given by the Ministry of Health to the Scheme being extended to provide for the B.C.G. Vaccination of children between 13 and 14 years of age.

In the first place those physicians with specialist knowledge and experience of tuberculosis were the chest physicians employed by the Regional Hospital Board, towards whose salary the County Council pay a specified proportion. Fourteen Divisional Medical Officers and four Assistant County Medical Officers have received instruction in the technique and methods of B.C.G. vaccination and have been approved for this purpose.

One of the biggest problems in providing B.C.G. vaccination has been the segregation of contacts for six weeks before and six weeks after vaccination, but this has been overcome usually by making arrangements with friends or relations of the child to be vaccinated and in exceptional cases the Children's Committee has provided accommodation in the County Children's Homes. On the principle that the absence of facilities for segregation should not preclude a mantoux negative contact from being vaccinated by B.C.G., the policy is adopted of vaccinating forthwith if after a fortnight's effort segregation is not found to be practicable.

During 1954, the chest physicians vaccinated 355 cases, and the Divisional Medical Officers vaccinated 124 cases, under the contact scheme. In addition to these, certain new-born infants were vaccinated at St. Mary's Hospital, Manchester, through special arrangements made by the Professor of Child Health at Manchester University, and during the year, some 153 babics born to Cheshire mothers were thus vaccinated. Special arrangements have been made at Clatter-bridge Hospital whereby newly born children of tuberculous parents can be transferred for post-vaccination segregation to a convalescent home maintained in connection with the Hospital.

Divisional Medical Officers and Assistant County Medical Officers vaccinated 1494 school children during the year and details of the work carried out under the scheme for school children are as follows:—

Before B.C.G. Vaccination

√		
No. of consent forms issued		3,352
No. of children for whom consents received	*******	2,668
No. of patch tests by tuberculin jelly	******	2,117
No. positive to patch test	******	455
No. Mantoux tested	*******	1,880
No. positive to Mantoux test	******	349
After B.C.G. Vaccination		
No. having follow-up Mantoux (8 weeks)	*******	962
No. positive to follow-up Mantoux (8 weeks)	44.00000	900
No. having follow-up Mantoux (12 months)	******	40
No. positive to follow-up Mantoux (12 months)	8*****	40

Mental Illness

The care and supervision of patients at home suffering from mental illness or defect is earried out by Health Visitors and Authorised Officers, and arrangements are made, in suitable cases, for help to be given by other County services, such as Home Nursing and Domestic Help.

Other Illnesses

Liaison has been continued with the Almoners and other appropriate officials of general hospitals so that discharged patients requiring help from any of the County Health Services may seeure it without delay.

Another aspect of "eare" is the investigation of "problem families" with a view to effecting any possible improvement and granting any appropriate help, e.g., the loan of bedding.

An important aspect of "prevention of illness" is health education, and appropriate publicity under this heading is earried out locally.

Nursing Equipment

Stocks of nursing equipment are held by District Nurses and by Divisional Medical Officers for loan to patients needing them, subject to a small deposit charge, and a weekly hire payment in the case of the more expensive items. Examples of the small items normally kept by District Nurses are urinals, hot water bottles, bed pans, feeding eups, sputum flasks, steam kettles, air rings and back rests; the larger items stored by the Divisional Medical Officers include crutches, bath chairs, spinal carriages and water beds.

Shelters for the use of tuberculosis patients are issued by the County Medical Officer and transferred by the County Surveyor's Department, in accordance with recommendations made by the Chest Physicians, and confirmed, after investigation of the site, by the Divisional Medical Officer. Bedding is also kept for issue in special cases, e.g., when a patient's small stock has to be taken away for disinfection or disinfestation, or to provide for house isolation of patients.

Recuperative Convalescence

During the year 1954, 83 patients were sent for recuperative convalesence for periods varying between two and eight weeks. Contributions were paid by the patients towards the cost of this convalescence in accordance with the County scale. Also under Section 28, seven mentally defective children were found accommodation for short periods during the year.

Infectious Disease

In order that Divisional Health Committees may have a continuous picture of the incidence of infectious disease in their areas, Divisional Offices receive full particulars of notified cases, and the County Council repays to District Councils, in accordance with the National Health Service Act, the notification fees paid to doctors. The following table gives the number of cases notified under the various headings during the year 1954.

	Scarlet Fever Whooping	Cough Acute Poliomyelitis Paralytic	Acute Poliomyelitis Non-Paralytic Measles	(excluding Rubella) Diphtheria	Acute Pneumonia	Dysentery	Smallpox	Acute Encephalitis Infective
Altrincham M.B. Bebington M.B. Congleton M.B. Crewe M.B. Dukinfield M.B. Hyde M.B. Macclesfield M.B. Sale M.B. Stalybridge M.B.		42 2 40 7 21 — 22 1 50 — 67 1 54 — 41 1 57 —	- 213 3 622 1 55 - 165 - 8 - 445 - 200 - 107	2 — 5 — 6 — 7 —	15 36 26 5 39 16 20 7	1 15 8 103 2 4 14 58		3 1 —
Alderley Edge U.D. Alsager U.D. Bollington U.D. Bowdon U.D. Bred. and Rom. U.D. Cheadle and Gatley U.D. Ellesmere Port U.D. Hale U.D. Hazel Grove and Bramhall U.D. Hoole U.D. Hoylake U.D. Knutsford U.D. Longdendale U.D. Lymm U.D. Middlewich U.D. Nantwich U.D. Neston U.D. Northwich U.D. Runcorn U.D. Sandbach U.D. Wilmslow U.D. Wirral U.D.	37 D. 45 29 11 18 5 3 51 16 16 39 19 27 6	6 — 50 — 15 — 21 — 7 1 52 — 20 2 36 — 3 — 11 — 1 — 34 — 3 — 5 — 20 — 6 — 1 — 22 — 6 1	- 235 - 235 - 758 - 73 - 173 - 173 - 237 - 1 - 24 - 62 - 27 - 83 - 107 - 220 - 245 1 152 - 8 - 122 1 238		-6 -7 9 2 1 1 9 1 4 -3 -1 14 2 4 3 6 3 21	1 278 8 4 - 9 - 4 4 - 7		
Bucklow R.D. Chester R.D. Congleton R.D. Disley R.D. Macclesfield R.D. Nantwich R.D. Northwich R.D. Runcorn R.D. Tarvin R.D. Tintwistle R.D.	15 12 9 25 52 79 45	10 — 30 — 2 — 2 — 29 — 46 — 48 1 16 — 61 — 68 18	- 36 1 57 - 97 - 6 - 75 - 149 - 958 - 279 - 59 - 11 6361		3 45 15 3 7 21 11 7 48 —	9 10 2 		

	Acute Encephalitis Post Infectious	Enteric or Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid Fever	Erysipelas	Meningococcal Infection	Food Poisoning	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Meninges and C.N.S.	Tuberculosis Other Puerperal Pyrexia
Altrincham M.B. Bebington M.B. Congleton M.B. Crewe M.B. Dukinfield M.B. Hyde M.B. Macclesfield M.B. Sale M.B. Stalybridge M.B.			1 	5 7 2 — 2 4 4 — 4	1 3 — 1 2 1 2	 8 5 3 1 4	8 82 5 36 14 10 13 16 17	1 1 - 1 6	1 1 25 1 5 — 1 4 4 — 4 3 2 27 4 4
Alderley Edge U.D. Alsager U.D. Bollington U.D. Bowdon U.D. Bred. and Rom. U.D. Cheadle and Gatley U.D. Ellesmere Port U.D. Hale U.D. Hazel Grove and Bramhall U.D. Hoole Hoylake U.D. Knutsford U.D. Longdendale U.D. Lymm U.D. Middlewich U.D. Nantwich U.D. Neston U.D. Northwich U.D. Sandbach U.D. Wilmslow U.D. Winsford U.D. Winsford U.D. Winsford U.D.	 D				1		-2 1 -6 14 19 - 8 -14 9 5 4 5 - 2 3 4 5 3 9 4 16		
Bucklow R.D. Chester R.D. Congleton R.D. Disley R.D. Macclesfield R.D. Nantwich R.D. Northwich R.D. Runcorn R.D Tarvin R.D Tintwistle R.D.			4	-2 1 -2 4 -2 1 2		5 — 1 — — — 37	$ \begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 11 \\ 3 \\ -2 \\ 15 \\ 9 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{array} $	1	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

The following Table shows the variation in notifications of the principal Infectious Diseases during the past nine years:—

1946 19	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	Notifications
920 17	885	1228	1695	1666	1007	1223	1232	1033	Scarlet Fever
1570 10	1239	2936	2216	2824	2144	2420	3080	1368	Whooping Cough
		30	99	83	40	41	53	29	Poliomyelitis
152 3	65	86	35	15	8	1	6	1	Diphtheria
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Smallpox
									Tuberculosis:—
370 4	460	443	442	461	432	449	433	393	Pulmonary, all ages
140 1	195	158	123	121	114	119	81	87	Non-pulmonary, all ages
12	20	24	21	24	30	56	55	46	Pulmonary, Children under 16
82 1	121	101	73	59	63	62	45	54	Non-pulmonary, Children under 16
	195	158	123	121	114	119 56	81	87 46	Pulmonary, all ages Non-pulmonary, all ages Pulmonary, Children under 16 Non-pulmonary,

Section VI.-Mothers and Young Children Health Visiting, etc.

General

The County Council's responsibilities under Sections 22 and 24 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, are in the main a continuation of work which has been done for many years, though the Health Visitors' services are now used to carry out the Council's schemes for mental health, after-care, and handicapped persons.

Number of Health Visitors employed—31.12.1954								
Equivalent whole-time	Equivalent whole-time H.V. Services provided							
Number of visits paid by Health Visitors during the year.								
Number of children un	der 5 y	ears of	age	********	*******	0*******	000 acou-	67,869
Expectant Mothers—								
First Visits	dunnerug	8+0+++++	******	******	*******	01441110	00*****	3,330
Total Visits	*******	B-+44+440	*******	********	*******	0	*******	5,999
Children under one yea	er of ag	e						
First Visits		*******	******	*******	*******	*******	07 *****	12,378
Total Visits	149 61140	*********	*******	*******	*******	********	*******	85,089
Children aged 1 and ur	nder 2	vears—						
Total Visits			******	\$***** *	810+4840	d007100p	60788870	43,930
Children aged 2 but un	der 5 x	ears—						
Total Visits			9461+em0	\$10000B	Od oceromi	********	00000000	78,220
Tuberculosis Househol	do							,
PTS . 1 X 21 1.	us—							8,278
Total Visits	9441-1004	9+**90 Mg	*********	P7000000	\$*******	010-01-100	8000000	0,270
Other cases—								06.005
Total visits	******	Oceana sa	********	000004004	*********	***********	*******	26,335
Total number of house	holds o	r famil	ies visi	ted	90111119	*******	***************************************	66,720

Premature Infants

Particular attention is devoted to babies weighing $5\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. or less at birth, and special cots with bedding, hot water bottles, etc., are kept in readiness. 826 premature live babies were born in the year under review, whose mothers normally live in the Authority's area, 189 at home and 637 in hospitals or nursing homes.

Puerperal Pyrexia

59 cases of Puerperal Pyrexia were notified during the year, 6 being domiciliary and 53 institutional confinements.

Maternal Mortality

The maternal mortality for 1954, *i.e.*, number of deaths due to pregnancy, childbirth or abortion, per 1,000 live and still births, was 0.4.

Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Clinics

The number of Ante-Natal clinics conducted by Doctors was 21. The Regional Hospital Boards pay for a proportion of the sessions attended by specialist obstetricians. In some areas there are other doctors' clinics, and in some districts midwives' clinics have been established. In one area a General Practitioner conducts his own Ante-Natal clinic at a County Clinic Centre.

The following Tables give particulars of County clinics held during 1954:—

Doctors' Clinics

		Ė	Ante-Nat	AL	Po	OST-NATAL	
		Sessions	Attend- ances	New Cases	Sessions	Attend- ances	New Cases
Altrincham†§	******	43	119	42	1	2	2
Bebington (New Ferry)	********	99	1246	201	47	85	84
Bredbury	*******	48	488	159			
Cheadle	*******	51	765	193			
Congleton	*******	49	680	164			
Ellesmere Port		102	2798	429	*136	136	134
Hale†	*******	13	9	3			
Hazel Grove	87444444	52	622	201	1		
Heswall	*******	52	1653	161			
Hoole	*******	6	11	1	*12	12	6
Hoylake	*******	52	2220	259			
Hydet	******	24	240	73			
Neston	44.44.44	48	685	88			
Northwich	******	48	581	97			
Macclesfield!	******	48	957	282			
Runcorn	*******	51	725	185	*3	3	3
Sale	******	29	280	81	12	41	17
Stalybridge	******	35	185	34	*34	34	27

[†] Non-Specialist. ‡ at 3 Centres. § at 2 Centres.

^{*} Joint ante- and post-natal sessions.

		ı			ANTE-NATAL				
					Sessions	Attend- ances	New Cases		
Crewe									
(Ludford Str	eet)	*******	******	*******	100	919	178		
Stalbridge R	oad	******	******	*******	50	311	46		
Dukinfield		*******	*******	*******	48	543	82		
Hollingworth	0+11	******	0	*******	52	152	26		
Hoole	******	******	******	******	5	1			
Hoylake	******	*******	******	******	51	215	53		
Knutsford	******	*******	*******	*******	23	41	13		
Little Sutton	*******	Persona	*******	********	50	538	76		
Lymm	********	*******	*******	*******	17	34	15		
Nantwich	*******	*******	******	*******	51	213	31		
Neston	********	******	*******	00118144	23	112	35		
Weaverham	******	*******	********	********	14	102	20		
Winsford	********	*******	*******	20121000	50	211	60		

Notification of Births

The distribution of the births to Cheshire mothers notified under the Public Health Act, 1936, was as follows:—

Domiciliary	Nursing Homes	Hospitals
3780	622	7633

Dental Care

Increasing importance is now attached by the Ministry of Health to the provision of Dental services for expectant and nursing mothers, and for young children. Facilities will be extended as opportunity offers, subject to the availability of necessary staff.

DENTAL REPORT

Mothers and young children are dealt with during School Dental clinic sessions.

All necessary treatment is carried out, if necessary with local or general anaesthetic.

All dentures are set up by a mechanic, and impressions and fittings carried out by the dental surgeon.

One clinic possesses an X-Ray apparatus, and for other clinics, arrangements are made with the local hospital.

	Expectant Mothers	Nursing Mothers	Children under 5 years
(a) Numbers provided with Dental Care Examined Needing Treatment Treated Made Dentally Fit Total Attendances (b) Forms of Dental Treatment Provided Temporary Extractions Permanent Extractions Temporary Teeth Filled Permanent Teeth Filled Anaesthetics—Local General Partial Upper Dentures fitted Full Upper Dentures fitted Full Lower Dentures fitted Full Lower Dentures fitted Scalings or Scaling and Gum Treatment Silver Nitrate Treatment Dressings Radiographs Crowns or Inlays	107 106 101 75 241 	157 148 140 105 481 	848 839 839 735 1115 1130 331 102 456 — 57 18 —

Artificial Sunlight Treatment

During the year 1954, the attendances by children under 5 at the sunlight clinics listed below were as follows:—

Dukinfield		******	523	Sale	******	329
Hyde	******	*******	1079	Stalybridge	*******	996
New Ferry			469	, 0		

Orthopaedic Scheme

The specialist orthopaedic sessions held at clinic premises were taken over financially by the Regional Hospital Boards, in the same way as those held at hospital premises, and suitable financial arrangements were made for the few clinics where physiotherapy was only partly under specialist supervision.

The following shews the attendances made during 1954 at such clinics (excluding those for sunlight only) by children under 5:--

Dukinfield	******	162	Runcorn	*******	475
Ellesmerc Port	*******	262	Sale	*******	306
Hyde	******	682	Stalybridge	******	287
New Ferry	******	175	Stockton Heath	*******	29
Northwich	******	129			

Infant Foods

The financial arrangements involved in the supply of infant foods at Welfarc Centres continued in the main to be dealt with by Divisional Medical Officers' and the voluntary committees' valued help in the various aspects of centre work was continued.

Welfare Foods Service

On the 28th June, 1954, the responsibility for the distribution of Welfare Foods (National Dried Milk, Cod Liver Oil, Vitamin A & D Tablets, and Orange Juice) was handed over to Loeal Health Authorities, due to the closing down of the Ministry of Food.

The transfer of responsibility took place at very short notice, but in spite of this it was achieved with no dislocation to the system of distribution and has continued to operate most smoothly.

Various items of furniture and equipment were made available by the Ministry of Works, and these have since been purchased from that Ministry at their valuation.

Adaptations were necessary at several divisional offices in order to provide distribution points in convenient places for the public, and at the same time enabling them to be staffed with the minimum inconvenience by divisional office staff. In other eases it has been necessary to lease or rent suitable premises in the busy centres like Northwich, Altrineham, Maeclesfield, etc.

At 31st December there were, in all, 176 distribution ecntres in the administrative county, 140 of these being manned by voluntary personnel, and 36 by full-time or part-time paid staff, including the staffs of the local district councils where, by arrangement, points have been established on district council premises.

Supplies are received from S.P.D. Depots at Hanley, Liverpool, Manchester and Welshpool. S.P.D. Ltd. aet as agents of the Ministry of Food in the matter of storage and delivery. It is usual for 6 weeks supply of Welfare Foods to be held at each distribution centre.

A total of 484,189 articles were distributed to individual beneficiaries, Institutions, N.H.S. Hospitals, maintained and non-maintained schools, day nurseries during the period 28th June, 1954 to 1st January, 1955 made up as follows:—

National Dried Milk	******	******	*******	185,267	tins
Cod Liver Oil	******	******	00000004	49,265	bottles
Vitamin A & D Tablets		******	00400000	14,492	paekets
Orange Juiec	******	******	00000000	235,165	bottles

Day Nurseries

Details of the 13 Day Nurseries now maintained by the County Council are given on page 29. Two Nurseries at Cheadle and Northwich were closed in 1954. The following table shows the position at the end of 1954:—

No. of Nurseries	No. of	No. of Places		Children gister		
	0—2	25	0-2	2—5	0-2	2—5
13	233	333	156	357	121	302

Care of Unmarried Mothers

Arrangements have continued whereby unmarried expectant mothers are admitted to voluntary institutions some time before the confinement, and return there with the baby for varying periods afterwards. The County Council's own Home at 7, Trinity Road, Hoylake, provides 12 beds and 8 cots, and 49 women were admitted during the year, staying approximately eight weeks before the birth and six weeks afterwards. Of these one was the responsibility of another local authority. Responsibility was accepted at other homes and hostels for 32 such mothers during the year.

Child Welfare Centres

The following Table gives particulars, as in previous years, of the sessions and attendances at Child Welfare Centres throughout the County:—

LIST OF INFANT WELFARE CENTRES, 1954.

Centre	Frequency	Day	No. of Sessions	No. Present	No. seen by Dr.	Average Att.
Adswood	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd	23	481	214	21
Alderley Edge Alsager Altrincham	Weekly Fortnightly Twice weekly		50 28 100	1606 834 3310	675 135 508	32 30 33
(The Mount) Altrincham (Timperley)	Four times weekly	Wednesday Tuesday a.m. & p.m. & Thursday	193	6696	796	35
Antrobus	Fortnightly	a.m. & p.m. 1st and 3rd Wednesday	24	302	75	13
Audlem	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Tuesday	24	1015	356	42
Barnton	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Wednesday	24	1063	139	44
Barrow	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Wednesday	24	322	142	14
Bebington (New Ferry)	Weekly	Wednesday	51	2139	581	42
Bebington (New Ferry Toddlers')	Monthly	2nd Thurs.	11	58	49	5
Bebington	Weekly	Thursday	51	1342	451	26
(Bromboro') Bebington (Eastham)	Weekly	Monday	48	1225	40	26
Bebington (Eastham Toddlers')	Monthly	3rd Friday	9	61	47	7
Bebington (Thornton Hough)	Fortnightly	Friday	` 24	307	10	13
Bebington — (Higher — Bebington)	Weekly	Tuesday	50	1568	433	31
Bebington (Mayer Hall)	Weekly	Friday	49	1348	319	28
Bollington —	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Thursday	24	923	317	38
Bowdon	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Thursday	24	565	171	24
Bramhall	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Monday	22	830	297	38
Bredbury	Weekly	Tuesday a.m. & p.m.	50	2835	820	57
Broadbottom	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Wednesday	24	699	173	29
Cheadle —— Cheadle —— (Toddlers')	Weekly Monthly	Tuesday 3rd Wed.	50	2756 37	939	55
Cheadle Hulme Comberbach	Fortnightly Fortnightly	Tuesday 1st and 3rd Wednesday	26 24	1369 697	379 205	53 29 34
Congleton — Cranage — Crewe — (Ludford St.)	Weekly Weekly Weekly	Monday Wednesday Thursday	48 45 76	1613 637 3868	956 162 794	14 51

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LIST OF INFANT WELFARE CENTRES, 1954—Contd.

				,		
Centre	Frequency	Day	No. of Sessions	No. Present	No. seen by Dr.	Average Att.
Crewe (Stalbr'ge Rd.)		Monday and Wednesday	99	3744	438	38
Davenham	Monthly	1st Monday	12	419	123	35
Delamere	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd	24	616	268	26
		Monday				
Disley	Fortnightly	Tuesday	26	623	173	24
Dukinfield		Wednesday	99	3943	1307	40
	Weekly	& Thursday				
Ellesmere Port	Twice weekly	Tues. & Fri.	118	3938	664	33
(York Road)						
Ellesmere Port (York Road Toddlers')	Monthly	1st Friday	11	135	96	12
Ellesmere Port	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th	23	255	138	11
(Ince)		Thursday				• •
Ellesmere Port	Weekly	Monday	48	2089	286	44
(Little Sutton)	-					
Ellesmere Port	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd	24	806	179	34
(Overpool)		Thursday				
Farndon	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd	24	219	102	9
D 11	75	Tuesday				
Frodsham	Fortnightly	Tuesday	26	645	231	25
Gatley	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th	24	1209	436	50
Goostrey	Fortnightly	Thursday 1st and 3rd	8	167	(0)	2.1
Goosticy	Portinging	Tuesday	0	107	68	21
Grappenhall	Weekly	Tuesday	51	1398	422	27
Greasby	Weekly	Wednesday	52	1222	329	24
Hale	Weekly	Wednesday	52	2193	124	42
Hale Barns	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd	24	454	76	19
		Thursday				
Handforth	Fortnightly	2nd & 4th	23	366	147	16
TT .C 1	T)	Monday				
Hartford	Fortnightly	2nd & 4th	23	512	203	22
Haslington	Fortnightly	Tuesday	24	100	222	4.0
Haslington ————————————————————————————————————	Weekly	Tuesday Tuesday	24	466 3142	232	19
Heald Green		1st & 3rd	24	656	620 221	6 1 27
	2 Orthightty	Thursday	24	030	221	21
Helsby	Fortnightly	Tuesday	26	688	244	26
Heswall	Fortnightly	Monday	52	2573	473	49
High Lane	Fortnightly	Tuesday	26	692	220	27
Hollingworth	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd	24	1708	335	71
		Thursday				
Holmes Chapel	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th	24	638	107	27
Hoole	XX7 1-1	Tuesday	4.0			
Hoole	Weekly	Tuesday	13	4.18	143	34
(Toddlers')	Monthly	1st Thurs-	3	8	5	3
Hovlake	Weekly	day Thursday	53	2027	614	20
Huntington	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th	24	2827	614	53
	2 of thingsittly	Wednesday	24	376	153	16
Hyde	Twice weekly,	Mon. & Fri.	97	2966	528	31
(Bayley Hall)				2700	320	31
Hyde	Twice weekly	Wed. &	104	4898	682	47
(Parsonage St.)		Thurs.				

LIST OF INFANT WELFARE CENTRES, 1954-Contd.

			•	Conta.		
Centre	Frequency	Day	No. of Sessions	No. Present	No. seen by Dr.	Average Att.
Irby Kelsall	-	Monday 1st and 3rd Tuesday	48 24	1733 513	376 136	36 21
Kingsley	Fortnightly	2nd & 4th Wednesday	24	291	148	12
Knutsford Lower Peover	Fortnightly Fortnightly	Wednesday 2nd and 4th Monday	26 23	1113 426	456 130	43 19
Lymm Lymm (Toddlers')	73 1 1	Tuesday 2nd and 4th Wednesday	51 15	2290 133	644 121	45 9
Macclesfield (Bridge St.)	Twice weekly		96	2744	811	29
Macclesfield — (Bridge St.	Weekly	Tuesday	52	1002	204	19
Toddlers') Macclesfield (Heves Hall)	Weekly	Wednesday	11	296	63	27
Macclesfield — (Hurdsfield	Weekly	Thursday	51	2227	532	44
House) Macclesfield — (Hurdsfield House	Monthly	1st Tues.	36	741	385	21
Toddlers') Macclesfield — (Sanders Sq.)	Weekly	Friday	50	1315	350	26
Macclesfield — (Sanders Sq.	Weekly	Thursday	52	680	390	13
Toddlers') Malpas	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Monday	22	236	98	11
Marple — Marple Bridge	Weekly Fortnightly	Wednesday 2nd and 4th Thursday	51 24	3550 897	594 254	70 37
Mellor	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Thursday	24	675	262	28
Middlewich — Mobberley — Moulton —	Fortnightly Monthly	Monday Tuesday 3rd Wed.	48 26 11	1180 552 356	537 299 184	25 21 32 15
Mow Cop	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Wednesday	24	348	322 205	30
Nantwich — Neston — Northwich — (Darland	Weekly Weekly Weekly	Thursday Thursday Tuesday	51 51 51	1536 3416 1302	337 532	67 26
House) Northwich	Weekly	Thursday	51	1813	871	35
(Parkfield) Over Peover_	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd	21	262	113	12
Partington	Fortnightly	Monday 1st and 3rd Thursday	24	704	158	29
Poynton	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Thursday	24	1644	384	69
Prestbury — (at Bollington)	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Wednesday	24	221	102	10

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LIST OF INFANT WELFARE CENTRES, 1954—Contd.

	1	1	No of	NIa	I NIa saan	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Centre	Frequency	Day	No. of Sessions	No. Present	by Dr.	Average Att.
Rainow (at Bollington)	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Wednesday	23	250	81	11
Rode Heath	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Monday	24	208	193	9
Romiley Runcorn	Weekly Twice weekly	Thursday	50 104	1428 2890	615 1107	29 28
Runcorn	Monthly	a.m. & p.m. 1st Monday		82	71	7
(Toddlers') Sale (Chapel	Twice weekly	•	128	5254	1473	41
Road) Sal e (Chapel	Monthly	Thursday 2nd Wed-	12	112	67	9
Road Toddlers')	,	nesday				
Sale (Raglan Road)	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Tuesday	24	1407	381	59
Sale Moor	Weekly	Thursday	50	1894	663	38
Sandbach	Weekly	Tuesday	52	2384 1140	1057	46
Sandiway	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Tuesday	24	1140	189	48
Saughall	Fortnightly	1st, 3rd & 5th Monday	28	778	219	28
Scholar Green	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Wednesday	24	523	271	22
Shavington	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Tuesday	24	847	265	35
Stalybridge — (Mechanics' Institute)	Twice weekly	Tuesday & Wednesday	99	4702	1846	47
Stalybridge (Millbrook)	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Monday	45	1637	595	36
Stockton Heath	Weekly	Monday	48	1247	350	26
Sutton	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Wednesday	24	437	131	18
Tarporley	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Thursday	24	730	199	30
Tarvin	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Wednesday	24	274	66	11
Tattenhall	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Monday	26	298	127	11
Tintwistle	Fortnightly	2nd & 4th Thursday	24	587	130	24
Upton	Weekly	Thursday	50	1363	490	27
Weaverham — West Kirby —	Fortnightly Weekly	Tuesday Friday	52 51	3146 2513	616 603	61 49
Willaston — (Wirral)	Fortnightly	1st and 3rd Friday	24	472	169	20
Wilmslow	Weekly	Thursday	50	1475	440	30
Winsford	Weekly	Friday	51	1890	698	37
Winsford (Toddlers')	Monthly	1st Thurs.	12	228	123	19
Wistaston (Willaston)	Fortnightly	2nd and 4th Wed.	24	418	112	17

Nursing and Maternity Homes

The County Council is the registration Authority for private Nursing and Maternity Homes under Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for the whole County, and the following details show the position for the year ended 31st December, 1954:—

Homes for Old People, etc.

The regulations for registration and inspection of voluntary homes for old people, etc., namely the National Assistance (Registration of Homes) Regulations, 1949, are administered by the County Health Department, and the position for the year ended 31st December, 1954, is shown below:—

Section VII.-Midwifery

General

A summary of the numbers involved is given below, further details on pp. 26-27, and general information, relating both to district nurses who practise midwifery and to those who do not, in Section XI.

Number of Midwives in Practice

There were 322 midwives who notified their intention to practise in the County Area during 1954:—

61
05
27
18
11

155

Inspection of Midwives Visits paid by Senior Medical Officer

Lectures to midwives and pupils	*******	15
Visits paid by Non-Medical Supervisor of Midwives:—		
Inspection of County Midwives	******	162
Inspection of Independent Midwives	******	6
Statutory supervision of District Nurse Midwives	**** **	80
Special visits to Midwives	*******	105
Visits to pupil Midwives	*******	14
Lectures to pupils and Midwives	******	8

Cases visited:—

Labours	******	******	******	******	******	******	10
Nursings	******	******	******	******	******	*******	111
Ante-natal	*******	*****	******	******	******	******	78
Post- natal							6

Cases attended by County Midwives and District Nurse Midwives on County Council Staff

	Deliveries (la	ive and still)	Stillbirths included in	Misearriages
	Col. a as midwives	Col. b as maternity nurses	Cols. a & b	
Midwives	1,576	588	33	72
District Nurse Midwives	953	517	26	108
Total	2,529	1,105	59	180

Number of patients attended by midwives following early discharge from Hospital 2728

Notifications	received	(Centi	ral Mi	dwive	s Boa	rd Ru	les)	
Medical A		b1000000	******	******	80000000	*******	*******	1210
Stillbirth		00100000	******	*******	*******	0 ======	******	97
	it the Dead	*******	*******	*******	*******	******	*******	36
	Infection	*******	*******	*******	******	******	81005000	108
Artificial		******	*******	*******	8+001000	******	******	919
Deaths in	the Practic	e	*******	********	*******	******	*******	51
Gas and Air A (a) Number 31/12/54 air analg (b) Number	of domicili t, who were esia	qualifi	ied to a	dminis 	ter gas	and	•••••	156 152
(c) Number administ	of cases in of cas		ch gas	and a	ir was	SO	0 0m+32+4	2708
Pethidine								
Number o domiciliary mi	f cases in wl	_		was ac	dminist	ered by	,	
(a) When D	octor was n	ot pres	ent	******	******	** ****	********	1144
(b) When D	octor was p	resent	******	******	*******	3000000	00000000	563

Section VIII.-Food and Drugs Acts

Milk (Special Designations) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations, 1949

The safeguarding of milk supplies to the general public under the above regulations includes the licensing and supervision of twenty-eight milk processing dairies in the administrative county. Eleven of these are large premises owned by important dairy firms with outputs of 5,000 to 30,000 gallons per day. Seventeen are medium sized or small dairies with outputs of 150 to 800 gallons per day. Fifteen dairies are equipped with plate type heat exchange pasteurising plant fitted with a mechanical safety device which rejects underpasteurised milk. This is diverted back to the reception point for re-pasteurisation. Twelve dairies are equipped with the batch or holder pasteurising plant. Large dairies at Calveley, Hyde and Macclesfield are equipped with milk sterilising plant.

Samples of processed milk are collected three times weekly from each dairy for examination in the laboratory of the Public Health Department. Occasional samples are also collected on Sunday. Frequent tests are also carried out on washed milk bottles to check the efficiency of bottle washing machines. Unsatisfactory samples of processed milk are becoming less frequent than in former years—1.8 per cent in 1954—indicating improved technique on the part of plant operators. The majority of unsatisfactory samples came from the batch or holder type of plant.

At one dairy unsatisfactory samples of processed milk were fairly frequent until the plant operator was awarded a weekly bonus for producing satisfactory results. He is now keenly interested in the weekly laboratory reports, which are posted to each processing dairy.

During the year one new dairy at Sale was licensed following structural alterations and installation of plant. The supervision of this dairy passed to Sale Borough Council which has become a separate Food and Drugs Authority on 1st October.

As a result of an informal representation the owner of a small and congested dairy at Hale has purchased a large disused bakery which is in course of reconstruction for use as a milk processing dairy.

There are indications that the dairy trade is becoming interested in flavoured milk—milk to which fruit flavouring essence is added. Two applications were received from dairymen for permission to prepare and bottle flavoured milk, using their existing dairy and plant. This was considered undesirable and the applications were refused.

REPORT ON SAMPLES OF WASHED BOTTLES COLLECTED FROM MILK PROCESSING DAIRIES

1954	Satis- factory	Fairly Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	Coliform Bacilli Negative	Coliform Bacilli Positive	Total No. of Examin- ations made
January February March April May June July August September October November December	369 356 457 379 418 409 426 405 430 412 400 308	-4 6 7 3 1 - 1 - 1	4 3 2 4 3 3 5 	373 363 465 390 423 413 429 410 431 418 403 312	1 	746 726 930 780 848 826 858 820 862 836 808 624
Total	4,769	23	40	4,830	2	9,664
1953 March— December (incl)	3,377	37	76	3,486	4	6,980

Interpretation of results:—

Colony count per bottle.						Classification.
Not more than 200	071++1++	*****	0.000.01.0	******	******	Satisfactory
200 to 600	******	********	878110.0	******		Fairly satisfactory
Over 600	** ** ** **			********		Unsatisfactory

Tuberculous Milk

In connection with the ascertainment of tuberculous milk, 2897 samples were taken at farms by the County Sampling Officers during 1954, of which 137 proved to be positive.

Co-operation with the Ministry of Agriculture and with local Sanitary Authorities has continued, so as to ensure that the high standard of milk production in Cheshire shall be maintained and improved.

County Public Health Laboratory

The following tables show the work of the County Laboratory during 1954 in comparison with previous years.

Total number of examinations made	durin	g the	year 1954—	
		Pos.	Neg.	Total
Milks:			3	
Cultures for Coliform bacilli	*******	24	4081	4105
	,	Failed	Passed	Total
Aschaffenburg and Mullen Test (Pasteurised milks)	8444000	27	4078	4105
Phosphatase test (Kay-Graham) (Pasteurised milks)	, « o d a d a a	27	4078	4105
Clot on boiling test	000no00a		4627	4627
Reductase test	0-	2	4098	4100
Turbidity test (sterilised milks)	0		522	522
Plate counts		·		1400
Washed Bottles	P01 00000	-	_	9664
Total examinations r	nade	of all	specimens	32628

Mille	Specimens	examined	1945-54
TATTLE	Specimens	exammed	IDTUTUT

				Pasteuri	sed Milk		Turbid- ity Test	
Year	Clot on Boiling Test	Reductase Test	Coliform Test	Phos- phatase Test (Kay- Graham)	Aschaf- fenburg Test	Plate Count	for Steril- ised Milk	Total Examinatio
1945	01110100	12726	9381	219	01100000	138	0+1++0 mg	22464
1946	91110000	13529	10303	317	Fre cosoa	7	POTOTIOS	24156
1947	0+11000	12682	10167	373	#14100mg	2	00111100	23224
1948	01011100	13330	11128	447	***********	8	0 4400000	24913
1949	094 80070	9400	6764	530	0011 010p	1	0000000	16695
1950	0 c c 0 c 0 + 4	1121	**100******	1201	0000000	00164000	51	2373
1951	3451	3443	3238	3454	1459	00111101	134	15179
1952	3924	3830	3858	3858	3858	1089	156	20573
1953	4304	3929	3948	3948	3948	1322	356	21755
1954	4627	4100	4105	4105	4105	1400	522	22964

Samples for Analysis

The Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures, Food and Drugs, etc., (Mr. Stacey Hallard) reports as follows on the work of his Department in relation to the administration of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, so far as it relates to the adulteration of food or drugs.

During the year under review the official figures relating to the 1951 census were published and as a result certain changes took place in respect of the Authorities responsible for the administration of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938. In this connection it should be pointed out that the right of a non-county borough or urban district council to be a "Food and Drugs Authority" is based on the population of its area according to the last published census. Where, on the publication of the census figures, it is shown that a non-county borough or urban district has a population of forty thousand or upwards such area automatically becomes a Food and Drugs Authority unless the Minister of Health directs that the County Council shall continue to administer the Act. In the case of Sale and Bebington both areas proved to be over forty thousand population according to the 1951 census figures and although the County Council made application to the Minister to be allowed to continue food and drugs administration within these Boroughs the Minister decided they should each become a Food and Drugs Authority.

This means that at the end of 1954 the County Council was the Food and Drugs Authority for the whole administrative County of Chester excepting the Municipal Boroughs of Bebington, Crewe and Sale. Crewe in fact, has been a Food and Drugs Authority since 1st October, 1939, Sale took over the duties on 1st October, 1954, and Bebington will do so on the 1st April, 1955.

The dutics carried out by officers of the Weights and Measures Department in the area for which the County Council is responsible consist largely in obtaining samples of foods or drugs at shops, markets, dairies, farms or any place where such articles are exposed for sale to the public. The samples are later submitted to the County Analyst, (J. G. Sherratt, Esq., B.Sc., F.R.I.C.) for analysis as to compositional quality and any subsequent action taken is based on the result of his findings.

Although most of this sampling is essentially of a routine character, many samples are taken and proceedings instituted as the direct result of "information received" from householders and Dairy Companies concerning the activities of certain unscrupulous traders. All such complaints are carefully investigated and one must express thanks to these public spirited persons for bringing such matters to the notice of the Department whether or not their suspicions turned out to be well founded.

Regarding details of the work—2106 samples were analysed during 1954 comprising 1367 milks and 739 other articles of food or drugs. Of these, 47 milks and 17 other samples were reported to be either of non-standard quality from a compositional point of view or failed to conform with the law in respect of certain Statutory labelling requirements. The following list shows the number and variety of samples obtained and from this will be gathered some idea of the articles which are more prone to be adversely reported upon.

Article			Total	Samples certified as adulterated or otherwise not
			Analysed	in order
Boric Acid Powder	******	******	5	1
Brandy	******	*******	1	
Camphorated Oil	******	******	6	1
Epsom Salts	******	******	7	1
Gin	******	******	3	
Glucose Lozenges	******	******	3	1
Ice Crcam	04160100	*******	28	2
Icc Lollies	******	00000004	13	
Iodine (Tincture of)	******	3	1
Milk		*******	1367	47
Oranges (Spanish)	******	*******	5	1
Quinine with Cinna	ımon			Î
(Amm. tinc. of)	******		2	2
Rum		*******	8	
Salt (Non-toxic)	*******	*******	1	1
Pork Sausage	*******	*******	4	_
Beef Sausage	*******	******	15	2
Sponge Pudding M		******	1	1
Curan		******	6	1
Swects (Butter Swe	etc)	******	7	2
3371-1-1	ets)	******	17	4
	*******	******	17	_
B.P. official prepara	ations, si	mple		
household mcd	licaments	s, etc.	150	
Miscellaneous grae	02:00 000			
Miscellancous groc classified articl	eries and	ı un-	454	
Classified af tici	CS	*******	454	_
			2106	64

In considering the non-standard samples in more detail it is convenient to deal in the first place with milks. Most outstanding in this connection is the great improvement in the position generally when compared with the previous year,—this can be seen at a glance by the following comparative figures:—

	1953	1954
Number of non-standard milks	89	47
Number of milk samples containing		
extraneous water	24	13
Number of milk samples deficient		
in fat	42	22
Number of milk samples deficient in		
non-fatty solids	23	11

This welcome all round reduction is further reflected in the fact that it was only necessary to institute legal proceedings in 9 instances as against 22 during the previous year.

Regarding the individual amounts of extraneous water found in the various milk samples these ranged from 1.1 per cent. to as much as 22.6 per cent.

This latter figure concerned a series of samples taken at a farm as the result of a complaint from a Dairy Company about the quality of the milk a certain farmer was sending to them. Having ascertained the time of collection, an Inspector waited some distance from the suspected farm until he saw the Dairy Company's lorry enter the yard. He immediately followed and found the driver had drawn up alongside six churns and was about to load them on to his vehicle. The Inspector intervened, announced his office to the farmer, and took a sample from each churn, three of morning's milk and three of evening's. These samples were submitted to the County Analyst for analysis and the preliminary test disclosed the presence of extraneous water. Accordingly the Inspector visited the farm next day at milking times (5-15 a.m. and 5-15 p.m.) and after supervising the whole process of milking took "appeal to cow" samples.

On completion of the evening milking the Inspector found that the total yield of milk for the day was 49 gallons whereas the previous day the farmer had consigned 63½ gallons to the Dairy Company! It was not surprising, therefore, to find that the original samples from the six churns were certified by the County Analyst as containing extraneous water in amounts ranging from 15.5 to 22.6 per cent. The "appeal" samples were certified as genuine although they were, in fact, slightly below the standard.

In view of this very serious adulteration legal proceedings were instituted and as two people were jointly responsible for the farm it was necessary to issue one summons against each partner in respect of each churn. The County Council's solicitor appeared for the prosecution and pointed out to the Magistrates the very serious nature of the offence and that the Weights and Measures Committee had, within recent years, expressed concern over the inadequate penalties imposed in such cases. He asked the Magistrates to bear in mind the probability that the offence had continued for some time

before eoming to the notice of the Inspector. The Justices found the offences proved and fined each of the two defendants £1 in respect of each of the six churns and ordered them to pay £8 8 0 costs, i.e., the Analyst's fees.

No other really serious ease of added water in milk came to light but for the first time it was found necessary to institute proceedings in connection with the sale of a bottle of school milk which contained fragments of glass. The milk in question was not submitted for analysis and therefore is not included in the above summary. Brief particulars are that whilst in her class a ten year old school girl drinking milk through a straw found that she had sucked up some small splinters of glass into her mouth. In accordance with routine practice the Headmaster immediately informed me of the fact and the matter was investigated. In view of the amount of broken glass subsequently recovered from the milk in the bottle, and the fact that the bottle itself was not fractured in any way, legal proceedings were instituted against the seller. At the subsequent hearing the Magistrates imposed a penalty of £5.

It may here be noted that many instances of glass in school milk have recently been investigated but in the vast majority of cases it was found that the bottle rim was chipped. In such instances it was impossible to say that the splinters of glass were in the bottle when it left the bottler's premises and therefore it was inadvisable to prosecute the seller. In cases like these a visit was paid to the Dairy premises where every detail of the bottling procedure was investigated in the presence of the Management.

One remaining ease of milk was so unusual that it deserves special mention,—this concerned the retail sale of a sample of milk which was found to contain boron preservative. The seller was prosecuted and fined £10 and £3 3 0 costs. It is remarkable to find that in the whole history of the Department only three cases of a like nature have previously been discovered and, in fact, the last instance was nearly 30 years ago.

With regard to samples other than milk, out of 739 obtained only 17 failed to reach the legal or recognised standard of quality. A brief summary of all these non-standard samples is given below, the analysis is shown in parenthesis.

1 Epsom Salts (Sodium Borate (Borax) 100%). This was an ordinary domestic purchase by the wife of a local Sanitary Inspector. The label of the packet bore the words "Epsom Salts" in bold print and in smaller type the name and address of a well known firm of packers. The woman, being dissatisfied with the taste, complained to this office and the packet on analysis proved to be pure Borax! An exhaustive investigation by the packers failed to find any reason why the wrong label has been attached and as the trouble was obviously due to carelessness they were subsequently cautioned.

- 2 Sponge Pudding Mixture, (Infested with flour weevil and unfit for human consumption.) The local Sanitary Inspector was immediately informed so that remaining stock in the grocer's shop could be condemned.
- 3 **Iodine, Tincture of,** (18% deficient in iodine.) Sample was purchased at a small grocer's shop. Investigation disclosed that bottle had been in stock many years. Accordingly the seller was cautioned and remainder of stock withdrawn from sale.
- 4 **Pork Sausage**, (23% deficient in meat.) Retail sale at butcher's shop. As there is now no legal standard for sausage it was inadvisable to do other than eaution seller.
- 5 Boracic Acid Powder B.P. (Contained 0.9% less H₃ BO₃ than the minimum specified by the B.P.) Owing to small deficiency the manufacturer was cautioned.
- 6 Sweets—Butter Mints, (Deficient in butter fat.) If the word "butter" or a synonym is used without qualification in the description of sugar confectionery the butter fat content of the product must be not less than 4 per cent. Manufacturer cautioned.
- 7 Glucose Lozenges, (Deficient in Vitamin C.) Vitamin C found in article was less than the amount declared on the label. As a result of cautionary letter to manufacturer they are now declaring a lower figure of Vitamin content to allow for loss in storage.
- 8 Buttered Ginger Sweets, (Sweets deficient in butter fat.) The same remarks apply as shown under No. 6 above Schler cautioned.
- 9 Salt (non-toxic.) (Prepared table salt, the label of which does not conform to the requirements of the labelling of Food Order, 1953.) The label of this article claimed the presence of phosphorus (as magnesium phosphate), iodine and iron but it did not specify the minimum quantities of each as required. Full particulars were sent to the Food and Drugs Inspector of the area in which the article was manufactured and as a result of his representations a new and correct label is now being used.
- 10 Ammoniated Tincture of Quinine, (Deficient in ammonia and containing an excess of Quinine.) The unsatisfactory nature of this article was probably due to the volatility of the ammonia. Manufacturer cautioned.
- 11 Oranges, Spanish, (Oranges containing preservative (Thiourea) to the extent of 20 p.p.m. in the expressed juice of the oranges.) Contravention of Public Health (Preservatives, etc., in Food) Regulations 1925–1948. This was an *informal* sample taken as a result of a circular letter from the Ministry of Food drawing attention to the possible use by orange growers of thiourea preservative, or of fungicides containing thiourea, as a rot and mould suppressant. Following receipt of the analysis, attempts were

made to obtain a corresponding formal sample with a view to legal proceedings but such a course was not possible as Spanish oranges were by then "off the market". In view of this the sellers were cautioned. It is understood that as a result of prosecution elsewhere in this country the Spanish Government has taken steps to stop the use of thiourca in spraying orange crops.

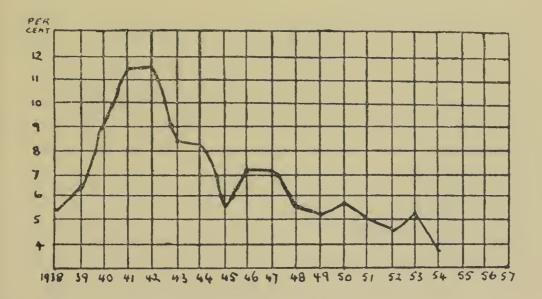
- 12 **Ice Cream**, (46% deficient in fat). This was an informal sample. See corresponding formal sample No. 13 below
- 13 Ice Cream, (10% deficient in fat). This formal sample was a "follow up" in connection with No. 12 and was purchased from the same seller with a view to prosecution. As the deficiency was found to be so much less than the original sample, the seller was cautioned.
- 14 **Sugar**, (Contained 12.3% salt.) Private householder complained about the salty taste of the sugar she had purchased at a shop. She admitted the sugar had been in her house for about five weeks and that she was not really certain at which of two shops it might have been purchased. Official samples were subsequently purchased at *each* shop but they proved to be genuine.
- 15 Camphorated Oil, (Deficient in camphor to the extent of 5.2%). Purchased from a chemist's shop. Manufacturer was cautioned and remaining stock withdrawn from sale.
- 16 Ammoniated tincture of Quinine with oil of cinnamon. (Deficient in ammonia to the extent of 28% and deficient in alcohol to the extent of 70 per cent.) The County Analyst stated on his certificate that the "Unsatisfactory condition of sample is caused by evaporation of volatile components." As it was highly probable that this evaporation took place during manufacture, the manufacturer was cautioned.
- 17 Sausage, Pork, (Contained 416 parts per million of undeclared preservative—Sulphur Dioxide.) Sample purchased from a butcher's shop and as no declaration showing the presence of preservative appeared either on a label affixed to the sausage or by notice displayed in the shop, the seller was prosecuted. The decision of the Justices was "absolute discharge on payment of £1 15 0 costs."

To sum up the whole position with regard to the year's sampling it is with the greatest pleasure that one records that only 3.03 per cent. of all samples analysed were certified as non-standard. This exceptionally low figure is the best since before the war as will be clearly seen at a glance at the graph below.

I cannot conclude this report without reference to the death, which occurred on the 17th April, 1954, of your then County Analyst (S. E. Melling, Esq., M.Sc., F.R.I.C.) He was appointed to the position of Public Analyst for Cheshire over 40 years ago and despite

indifferent health during the last few years, he carried out his duties to the very end. In fact he personally wrote his last report to the Weights and Measures, Food and Drugs Act Committee only a few days before his death. Mr. Melling undoubtedly rendered a great service to the County as a whole and to the Weights and Measures Department in particular.

The County Council has since appointed J. G. Sherratt, Esq., B.Sc., F.R.I.C. to succeed Mr. Melling as County Analyst.



Section IX. Mental Health

PART I. MENTAL ILLNESS

TABLE I.

The following table shows the number of people suffering from mental illness admitted to hospital during the period 1st January to 31st December, 1954.

Hospital	Ті	eatn	ental nent A	Lct,	Lunacy Act, 1890						To	rals
		s. 1 (ol.)	s. (Ten	5 np.)		20 Day)			s. (Ce fie	rti-		
Liverpool Region	м.	F.	м.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
(Population 251,330)												
Deva, Chester —— Winwick, Warrington ——	56 8	91 10	3	1	2	11	14 2	21 5	29 7	36	104 18	160 18 2
Ormskirk, Lancs. St. Catherine's, Birkenhead Whiston, Lancs.	3	1	_	_ _ _	19 -	1 9 -	21 1	1 31 6	4	_	47 1	41
Sefton General, Liverpool Haydock Lodge, Haydock	_	_ _	_	_ _	_ _	3	1	3	_ _	_ 2	1 -	6 2
	67	102	3	1	22	25	39	67	40	40	171	235
Manchester Region (Population 580,070)												
Parkside, Macclesfield — Prestwich, Manchester —	50 —	41 -	<u> </u>	1	21	25 _	42 -	67 -	47 1	68 1	160 1	202
Patricroft, Lanes.	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	1	_	1	10
Barony, Nantwich St. Thomas, Stockport	2	1	_	_	3	_	5 16	10	7 8	9	12	10 20
Lake, Ashton-u-Lyne	_	1	_	_	_	_	_	1	_	3	.0 /	5
Ollersett, New Mills — Crumpsall, Manchester—	_	_		_	- 1	_	_	_	2	3	3	3
	52	43	-	1	25	25	63	79	66	93	206	241
Others												
Cheadle Royal, Cheshire Provincial	1	3	1	_	_	_ _	_	_	5 2	, <u>5</u>	7 2	8 –
	1	3	1	-			_	_	7	5	9	8
Totals	120	148	4	2	47	50	102	146	113	138	386	484
Combined Totals Corresponding Period 1953		68 27		6 8		97 75		48 08	23	51 79		70 97

TABLE II.

Source of Notification of Cases of Mental Illness.

Referred to Out-Patient Clinic	16	22	10 25 13 13 21 21 21 5	197	219	
Total Notifications	244 134 105	483	93 90 81 81 65 55 174 120 201	879	1362	
Adjacent Authority	20 11 12	7	200 100	21	28	
Patient				9	9	
.O.M Isnoisivid	7 - 1	8	162 3223	19	22	
Police	603	14	10 11 12 22 22 77	64	78	663
Relatives	984	13	822 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	40	53	
Out-Patient Clinic	65 32 26	123	1 1 90	11	134	2/54
Hospital Doctor	67 39 8	114	111 15 15 16 16 16 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	137	251	31/1
Family Doctor	96 53 60	209	53 55 49 31 104 69	581	790	/54 tc
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General

The noticeable increase in cases admitted during the year under review is accountable to Voluntary admissions, *i.e.*, persons referred from Clinics, and the family doctor, and to admission on a Short Order. This latter Justices' Order secures the admission, on medical recommendation, of non-co-operative patients, the majority of whom become voluntary patients at the expiration of the 14 days or the extended 14 days. Legal certification has become the last resort for enforcement of treatment.

The Out-patients Clinics maintained by the respective Regional Hospital Boards are situated as follows:—

Liverpool Manchester
Royal Infirmary, Chester Lake Hospital, Ashton-u-Lyne
Cottage Hospital, Ellesmere Port
Victoria Hospital, Runcorn Rosemount, Macclesfield
Clatterbridge Hospital, Wirral
St. Catherine's Hospital, Birkenhead

Admissions

The undermentioned information, extracted from the Deva Hospital returns, conveys in retrospect (a) the nature of mental illness prevalent during the year, (b) the period of hospitalisation, and the prospect of a resumption of the patient's former normal life.

Nature of Illness	Л	Tales	Nature of Illness	S	F	emales
Depression	*******	29	Depression	*******	01000000	74
Anxiety State	00	4	Depression Menop	ausal	••••••	5
Melancholia	04010000	1	Depression Reactive	e Hyste	eria	5
Schizophrenia	0100000	11	Neurosis Obsession	al		
Senile Dementia	80 1000mg	1	Ruminative	*********	00041200	2
Psychopathic Personalit	у	6	Anxiety Neurosis	*********	******	6
Epilepsy	0	3	Melancholia	00******	********	3
Mania	*******	4	Hysteria	80**100*	******	6
Asthma	*******	1	Manic Depressive	State		1
Confusional State	******	2	Schizophrenia	********	******	17
Obsessive Psychoneurosi	is	1	Mania	00=00000	********	4
Paraphrenia	*******	2	Paranoid State Me	nopaus	al	3
Hypochondriasis	0+11+10+	1	Epilepsy	Q10-1100	00000000	2
Psychosthernia	********	1	Hypochondriasis	66000000	0.0.0.00	3
Not stated	0000	4	Senile Dementia	ar	********	2
			Confusional State	Develond	96000000	4
			Obsessional State	********		2
			Paraphrenia	00000000		3
			Not stated	*********	90000000	7
	_					
		71				1.40

Of the foregoing discharge of patients, the status and conditions were as follows:—

Males	Status 1		Recovered	Relieved	Not Improved
	62 9	Voluntary Certified	26 5	29 2	7 2
	71		31	31	9
Females	41	Voluntary Certified	59 26	37 12	12 3 —
	149		85 —	49	<u>15</u>

The periods spent in hospital, prior to discharge, are as under:—

								Ov	er	
Males		Under 1 mth.		3—6 . mths.					3 yrs.	4 yrs.
Voluntary	62	28	25	8	1		_			
Certified	9	3	4	1	1	_		_		
		_		_		_				
	71	31	29	9	2	—	_	_		
		_	_		_	_				
Females										
Voluntary	108	35	44	21	4	1	2		1	
Certified	41	_	11	15	7	_	2	2	2	2
				—	—	—				
	149	35	55	36	11	1	4	2	3	2
						_	-			

After-Care

The number of cases referred to the Department for after-care visitation on discharge from hospital during the year were Deva 61 cases, Parkside 1 case, Winwick 48 cases. Domiciliary visits have been made by Health Visitors and Authorised Officers in the Liverpool Regional Hospital Board's area. Discharged patients in the Manchester Regional Hospital Board's area have been supervised by the Hospital Psychiatric Social Workers.

Records

The number of patients admitted from the Administrative County and receiving treatment at the respective hospitals, as extracted from the weekly reports of Authorised Officers, and the statutory returns issued by Hospital Management Committees, are as follows:—

				Patients at 31/12/52		
Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	
310	486	292	500	295	484	
677	807	659	791	548	667	
53	46	47	41	33	40	
11	23	11	19	11	11	
25	46	15	40	15	41	
254	233	228	273	184	218	
1,330	1,601	1,252	1,664	1,086	1,461	
	31/1 Men 310 677 53 11 25 254	310 486 677 807 53 46 11 23 25 46 254 233	31/12/54 31/1 Men Women Men 310 486 292 677 807 659 53 46 47 11 23 11 25 46 15 254 233 228	31/12/54 31/12/53 Men Women Men Women 310 486 292 500 677 807 659 791 53 46 47 41 11 23 11 19 25 46 15 40 254 233 228 273	31/12/54 Men 31/12/53 Men 3	

PART II. MENTAL DEFICIENCY

The following table gives partic 1954 and their disposal together with	ulars	s of	the o					
categories:—	Total case Authoric registe During 1954 as at 1/1							
		der 16		ed 16 over				d 16 over
	M.	F.	NI.	F.	NI.	F.	M.	F.
1. Particulars of Cases reported during 1954— (a) Cases at 31st December ascertained to be defect- tives "subject to be dealt with" Action taken on reports by:— (i) Local Education Author- ities on children (1) While at school or liable to attend school (2) On leaving special schools (3) On leaving ordinary schools (ii) Police or by Courts (iii) Other sources (b) Cases reported but not regarded at 31st December as defectives "subject to be dealt with" on any ground (c) Cases reported but not confirmed as defectives by 31st December and thus excluded from (a) or (b)	32 9 - - 4	31 2 3	- - 1 -	_ _ _ 1				
Total number of cases reported during the year	49	44	2	2				
78		17	- 4	2				

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		Age					
		and					
M.	F.	M.	F.	М.	F.	M.	F.
41	33		_	223	166	297	350
				220	100	271	330
_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-
-	-	_ 1	_ 1	2		346	752
_	_	1	1	42	39	340	253
4	3	1	1	4	3	19	11
45	36	2	2	271	217	662	614
		· · ·		14 15 11	8 5 3	2 6 7	2 - 7
-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
-	_	_	_	3	5	1	_

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	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
2. Disposal of Cases								
(a) Of the cases ascertained to be defectives "subject to be dealt with" number								
(i) Placed under Statutory Supervision (ii) Placed under Guardian	41	33	_	-	223	166	297	350
(ii) Placed under Guardian- ship	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-
(iii) Taken to "Places of Safety"	_	_	_	_	2	9	_	_
(iv) Admitted to Hospitals	-	-	1	1	42		346	253
(b) Of the cases not ascertained to be defectives "subject to be dealt with" number								
(i) Placed under Voluntary Supervision	4	3	1	1	4	3	19	11
(ii) Action unnecessary	_	-	_	_	-	-	-	_
Total of Item 2	45	36	2	2	271	217	662	614
Classification of defectives in the Community on 1/1/55								
(a) Cases included in Item 2 (a) (i) to (iii) above in need of hospital care and reported accordingly to the hospital authority:—								
(1) In urgent need of hospital care:—								
(i) "cot and chair" cases	_	_	-	_	14	8	2	2
(ii) ambulant low grade cases	_	_	-	-	15	5	6	_
(iii) medium grade cases	_	_	-	-	11	3	7	7
(iv) high grade cases	_	-	_	_	a	_	2	2
(2) Not in urgent need of hospital care:—								
(i) "cot and chair" cases	-	-	_	-	3	5	1	-
(ii) ambulant low grade cases	-	-	-	-	2	2	_	_
(iii) medium grade cases	-	-	-	-	9	_	4	3
(iv) high grade cases					1			

Total of Item 3 (a)

	D	urin	g 19:	54	Re;	uth giste	cases ority' rs as ary, 1	s at
		der 16	Age and	d 16 over			Age and	d 16 over
	M.	F.	М.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
(b) Of the cases included in items 2 (a) (i) and (ii) and 2 (b) (i) overleaf, number considered suitable for:—								
(i) occupation centre	_	-	_	_	80	70	7	6
(ii) industrial centre	-	-	_	_	-		-	-
(iii) home training	-	-	_	-	_	-	_	-
Total of Item 3 (b)	_	_		-	80	70	7	6
(c) Of the cases included in item 3 (b) number receiving training on 1/1/55:—								
(i) in occupation centre	_	_	_	_	35	24	7	6
(ii) in industrial centre	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
(iii) at home	-	_	_		_	-	_	_
Total of Item 3 (c)	_	_	_	_	35	24	7	6
Institutional Accommodation During the year 1954 vacancies of the persons in institutions as follows:—	were	fou	nd f	or m	ienta	ally	defec	ctive
Arclid Hospital		•	1-01100	******		******	1	
Cranage Hall Hospital, Holi	mes (Cha	pel	******		*******	4	
Brockhall Hospital, Langho				*******		*******	8	
Calderstones Hospital, Wha			acs.	******		******	4	
The state of the s	,	2,200		*******		*******	•	

Newchurch Hospital, Culcheth, Nr. Warrington

Mary Dendy Hospital, Alderley Edge

Royal Albert Hospital, Lancaster

The Manor, Great Sutton

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The following table shows the Institutions where patients were accommodated at the end of the year under review:—

		der 16		ed 16 over	Under age 16	Aged 16 and over	77 . 1
	М.	F.	M.	F.	Total	Total	Total
Cranage Hall Hospital The Manor, Gt. Sutton Brockhall Hosp., Langho, Lance		11 1 17	$\frac{134}{10}$	131 3 19	29 1 22	265 3 29	294 4 51
Hensol Castle, Pontyclun, S. Wales Brynhyfryd Hospital, Forden,	_			1		1	1
S. Wales — — — Arclid Hospital, Sandbach — Royal Earlswood Hospital,		_	- 18	1 4	1	1 22	1 23 .
Redhill — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	. 5	<u>1</u>	1 15 9	1 7 7	<u>6</u>	2 22 16	2 28 16
Chesterfield — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	5	4 1	38	2 1 20		2 1 58	2 10 65
Edge	1 1 -		89 2 1 —	40 1 — 1 1	1 1 —	129 1 2 1 1 1	130 1 3 1 1
Totterdown Hall, Weston- super-Mare — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —		<u>-</u>	<u>_</u> 3	1 2 —	_ _ _	1 2 3	1 2 3
Ashton House Hospital, Birkenhead ————————————————————————————————————				2 — 1 1 1		2 1 1 2 1 1	2 1 1 2 1 3 1
Essex Milnthorpe Hospital,	, —	_	_	_	_		
Milnthorpe	********	_	3	_	_	3	3
S.W. 17 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —		2 	- 13 6	1 2 2	<u>2</u> <u>-</u>	1 15 8	2 1 15 8
	42	39	346	253	81	599	680

Supervision

Male defectives in their own homes have continued to be supervised by Authorised Officers and female defectives by Health Visitors.

Places of Safety

At the end of the year 1954 the following numbers were detained temporarily in the institutions shown, pending permanent accommodation under the Mental Deficiency Acts:—

Whitecross Homes, Warrington 7
Atherleigh Hospital, Leigh 4

Occupation Centres

In May 1954 the second County Council Occupation Centre was opened in Navigation Road, Altrincham, and it was soon evident that the assistance it could give to local parents of children capable of benefiting by it was being very much appreciated.

The Centre was visited in December, 1954 by a Ministry of Health Inspector, who reported favourably on the work being done there.

On the 25th April, 1955 a third Centre was opened at 33, Great King Street, Macclesfield, and a fourth Centre was opened at the Congregational Sunday School, Gee Cross, Hyde, on 5th September, 1955. When at a later date a fifth Centre is opened in South Cheshire, it is considered that, with careful use of transport, every reasonable step will have been taken to secure an adequate service. There will still be certain defectives who, though suitable for occupation centre training, live in scattered rural districts, so that the cost of transport would be wholly excessive, and who therefore will not be accommodated at the centres.

Discharges from Order

Eighteen cases who had been on licence from Institutions were discharged from Order during the year under review.

Temporary Care

In 1954 the provision was continued of temporary care by admission to hospitals for periods of up to two months during family emergencies, especially during the summer months when permanent patients are on holiday, thus providing a temporary respite for parents of children who could not at the time be permanently accommodated.

During 1954, such temporary care was provided in eighteen cases. Another method of securing the same benefit has been the introduction of short-stay accommodation at the Orchard Dene Hostel at Rainhill of the National Association for Mental Health where similar temporary accommodation is available, subject to contribution by the parents under the provision of the Care and After-Care convalescence provisions of the National Health Service Act. Seven children were so accommodated in 1954.

General

As in previous years, reports on defectives and their home conditions have been supplied to Hospital Management Committees on a variety of occasions, e.g., for holiday leave, licensing, and at intervals

for the Statutory Visitors. Health Visitors and Authorised Officers have attended Juvenile and other Courts to give evidence in regard to alleged offences by defectives, and when necessary Medical Officers of the Department have attended to give medical evidence.

Co-operation with the Children's Department and with the Welfare Department has continued as in previous years, and help was given to other Authorities on a reciprocal basis in regard to their cases, by way of ascertainment and application for Justices' Orders.

I should like to take the opportunity of acknowledging the ready help given at all times by the Regional Hospital Boards' Bed Bureau, which has again on various occasions found prompt places for cases whose admission was an imperative urgency.

Preventive Work

It is difficult to estimate the proportion of mental illness which can be described as preventable, although certainly its incidence, not only in those forms which result in admission to Mental Hospitals, but in those milder degrees where the mental aspect appears overlaid by seemingly physical illness, is sufficient to warrant preventive action by the staff of the Public Health Department.

Authorised Officers arc very well aware of the preventive side of their duties, but they only become aware of cases when treatment is required either as Mental Hospital out-patients or in-patients. The psychiatric work with the Schools Health Service is definitely of a preventive nature; every effort is made during school life to re-adjust and rchabilitate pupils showing signs of psychological disturbance. The activities projected towards the prevention of break-up of families are very important from the standpoint of mental health. Although the establishment of the Public Health Department includes psychiatric social workers, because of the shortage of this type of highly trained worker it has never been possible to make an appointment. A start has however been made by the decision to join with the Liverpool Regional Hospital Board in such an appointment with the object of introducing preventive psychiatric methods into the child welfare centres and into the domiciliary work of Health Visitors. It is hoped to make similar arrangements with the Manchester Regional Hospital Board.

So far as Mental Deficiency is concerned, the setting-up of a team for the early diagnosis and treatment of spasticity has a special importance from the preventive angle.

All these preventive activities, though gradual rather than dramatic in effect, are nevertheless of great importance, and throw additional work on the Health Visitors, who are the main field workers of the Local Health Authority's services. It will be necessary at a later date to report on the adequacy of the Health Visiting Staff.

Section X.-Domestic Help

Under Section 29 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, the County Council is empowered to provide a Domestic Help Service for households where such help is required owing to the presence of any person who is ill, lying in, an expectant mother, mentally defective, aged, or a child not over compulsory school age.

The service is one of those which have been devolved to Divisional Health Committees for organisation, administration, and management within the approved estimates. It is not one of the services provided free under the Act, and the Local Health Authority has adopted an appropriate payment scale.

Number of Domestic Helps employed at 31st December, 1954:—

- (a) Whole-time, 22
- (b) Part-time 357

Number of cases in which Domestic Helps were provided under the Council's Scheme during the year—

Maternity	Maternity (including expectant mothers)								
Tubercul	osis	*******	******	******	******	******	17		
Chronics	ick (inc	cluding	aged ar	nd infiri	m)	******	1184		
Others	*******	******	******	********	*******	*******	291		
					773 . 1	-	17/0		
					Total		1769		
					Total		1769		

Section XI.-Home Nursing

Under Section 25 of the National Health Service Act, the County Council has the duty to provide a full service for nursing sick persons at home free of charge to the patient.

Details of the nurses and nurse-midwives employed by the County Council are given earlier in this report, together with their districts.

Small nursing appliances are kept by nurses for loan to their patients; large items such as special beds, wheel chairs, spinal earriages are available at the Divisional Offices. This service forms part of the County Council's arrangements under Section 28 of the Act.

The following statistics give some idea of the scope of the service and the work done:—

(a) Number of Home Nurses at 31/12/54:—	
(1) Whole-time on General Nursing	45
(2) Part-time on General Nursing	108
(b) Equivalent whole-time home nursing service	
provided in (a) (2)	62
(e) Number of visits paid by Home Nurses, 1954	383,598
(d) Number of cases attended by Home Nurses, 1954	25,272
(e) Number of houses owned by County Council	25
(f) Number of motor vehicles owned by County Council	81
(g) Number of County-owned motor-assisted pedal	
eyeles	2
(h) Number of nurses receiving County allowance for	
their own cars	59
(i) Number of telephone rentals being paid	131

Section XII.-Handicapped Persons

General

Under Section 29 of the National Assistance Act, 1948, the County Council provides Welfare Services for handicapped persons, and the scheme under this heading has been made the responsibility of the County Health Committee.

The classes of handicapped persons to which the section applies are the blind, the partially sighted, the deaf or dumb, and others substantially and permanently handicapped by illness, injury, congenital deformity, or such other disability as may be prescribed. Enquiry and discussion have proceeded with the various associations concerned regarding all these categories, and help has in some cases been given by the supply of materials for work at home.

Blind Persons

The Council's approved scheme so made continues, with necessary amplification, the scheme carried out in previous years in accordance with the Blind Persons Acts. Its details are executed by the Blind Welfare Societies at Chester, Ashton-under-Lyne, and Macclesfield, with which appropriate financial arrangements have been made. The Welfare Services of these Societies have, in accordance with the new scheme, been extended, so far as they are applicable, to partially sighted persons.

Certification

To ensure that no person's name is placed on the register without the certificate of a medical practitioner with special experience in ophthalmology, all applicants were examined by one of the County Ophthalmologists. Those who so wished were examined a second time under the Medical Referee Service—conducted jointly with the North Regional Association—by independent Medical Referees.

Statistics

Number of Registered Blind Persons in the County at 31st December

		1954
Under 5 years	 	6
5—16 years	 • •	25
16—21 years	 • •	16
21—40 years	 	89
40—50 years	 	89
50—65 years	 	259
65—70 years	 	159
70 years and over	 	746
Unknown age	 • •	_
Totai	 • •	1389

Registered Blind Persons in County, aged over 16 years, employed, or otherwise, at 31st December, 1954—

	in Worksh	ops 8	Workr	ooms	21
Employed {	as Home		ter s		22
l	variously		******		72
Unemployed	******	******	*******	******	1234
Undergoing '	Training -	******	*******	******	8
At School	******	******	******	*******	1

Incidence of Blindness

During the year 1954 there were 324 forms B.D.8 received for the County. These were classified as follows:—

Registered as Blind	******	******	*******	218
Registered as Partially	Sighted	1	******	98
Not Registered		******	******	8

Follow up:

(i) Number of cases registered during	Cause of Disability				
1954 in respect of which para. 7 (c) of Forms B.D.8	Cataract	Glaucoma	Retrolental Fibroplasia	Others	
recommended:— (a) No treatment	82	9		77	
(b) Treatment (medical surgical or optical)	72	9	1	. 66	
(ii) Number of cases at (i) (b) above which on follow- up action have received treatment	40	5	1	44	

Ophthalmia Neonatorum

(i)	Total number of cases notified during	
	the year	Nil
(ii)	Number of cases in which:—	
	(a) Vision lost	Nil
	(b) Vision impaired	Nil

(c) Treatment continuing at end of year

Workshop Employees

Annual grants were continued on the usual principles to recognised Workshops for Cheshire employees. A "minimum wage" principle has been adopted for certain workers, their income being made up to a fixed amount. On this principle there were 7 male and 3 female employees at Chester, 3 male employees at Macclesfield, 1 male employee at Warrington, 1 male employee at Stockport and 1 male employee at Liverpool at the end of 1954, while on the fixed rate system there were 2 males and 1 female at Henshaw's.

Nil

Home Workers

The three voluntary societies arranged for the employment at home of those capable of it. Augmentation of 42/- weekly was given by the Council to all County approved Workers, who numbered 19 at the end of 1954.

National Library for the Blind

Grant and augmentation were made in 1954 to the National Library for the Blind on behalf of 2 Cheshire Home Workers who are Blind Copyists for its northern branch, apart from the usual annual grant for general services, which are used by over 100 Cheshire residents.

Other Services

The usual annual grants were continued in 1954 to the National Institute for the Blind and the North Regional Association for their respective national and regional services. An additional grant was paid to the National Institutes in respect of its services in placing blind persons in open industry from 1/4/54. Eleven persons were newly placed during 1954, one person changed employment and a total of 481 visits were made by the Institute's Officers in connexion with this service.

During the year one grant was made towards training a blind man to work with a guide dog.

Wireless Certificates

166 Certificates entitling the recipients to a free wireless licence were issued in 1954 to applicants on the register.

Deaf Persons

The County is fully covered by voluntary societies for the welfare of the deaf, and financial grants are made by the County Council to these societies, which act as authorised agents for the provision of advice and help, when desired, for the establishment of social centres, and for outings and other recreational activities. A grant is also paid to the North Regional Association for the Deaf in respect of its statistical, co-ordinating, and educational work. The numbers of Cheshire deaf persons on the registers of the Societies are approximately as follows:—

					_
Chester	******	*******	00+0000	*****	126
Manehester	8400000	******	******	******	178
Merseyside	*******	******	******	******	48
Warrington	******	******	000*****	******	19
				_	
			Total		371

Other Handicapped Persons

General

The registers of handicapped persons other than the blind, deaf, and dumb are kept by Divisional Medical Officers. They are limited to persons who wish to receive benefits under the approved scheme. General advice is given on overcoming their handicaps, and on how to obtain such help as is available, either under this scheme or under the hospital, local authority, or other aspects of the National Health Service. One example of help under this scheme is adaptation of premises, inside or outside, to facilitate use of an invalid chair or carriage. Assistance in handicrafts is given when possible, with the co-operation of voluntary bodies. The most prominent example of the Council's help to handicapped persons is, of course, Wrenbury Hall Colony (see Section V).

Statistics

The number of persons on the above registers were as follows at 31.12.54:—

M. of L.		No.	on Regist	ers
classification	Definition	Children	Adults	Total
		under 16	00	20
A/E F	Amputation	2	28	30
	Arthritis and Rheumatism	6	104	110
G	Congenital malformations and	20	F.C	0.4
T T / T	deformities	28	56	84
H/L	Diseases of the digestive and			
	genito-urinary systems; of the			
	heart or circulatory system; of			
	the respiratory system (other than tuberculosis) and of the			
	skin	72	189	261
Q/T	Injuries of the head, face, neck,	, 2	207	
Q/I	thorax, abdomen, pelvis or			
	trunk. Injuries or diseases			
	(other than tuberculosis) of the			
	upper and lower limbs and of			
	the spine	21	59	80
V	Organic nervous diseases—			
	epilepsy, disseminated sclerosis,			
	poliomyelitis, hemiplegia,			
	sciatica, etc.	79	169	248
U/W	Neuroses, psychoses and other			
	nervous and mental disorders			
	not included in V	2	50	52
	(excluding Mental Deficiency)		504	77.4
X	Tuberculosis (respiratory)	30	724	754
X Y Z	Tuberculosis (non-respiratory)	60	96	156
Z	Diseases and injuries not	0.1	0.1	172
	specified above	91	81	1/2
	Totals	391	1,556	1,947
	- Totals			,

Number of houses in which adaptations were carried out to enable handicapped persons to overcome their disability — 4

Epileptics and Spastics

The number of persons on the Registers are not necessarily the total number of persons so handicapped. In regard to the above two important classes, the following are estimated totals:—

(a)	Epil	eptics	
	(i)	Children under 16	132
	(ii)	Adults	65
(b)	Spa	stics	
	(i)	Children under 16	153
	(ii)	Adults	27

Care is taken to ensure that, so far as possible, epileptic and spastic persons receive necessary treatment, education and accommodation and co-ordination is effected when necessary with the residential welfare and the hospital services.

Section XIII. Water Supplies and Sewerage

The period of financial stringency appears likely to last a little longer, but there are signs of an improvement. Increasing domestic, agricultural and industrial water consumption and continuous housing development in urban and rural areas necessitates improvements to water and sewerage services which cannot be deferred indefinitely.

Early in the year a preliminary notice was given by the Mid and South East Cheshire Water Board of its intention to apply for a contribution from the County Council towards the cost of a major water scheme. The Board propose to abstract water from the river Dee near Llangollen in Wales and divert it into the Ellesmere Feeder Canal which is intended to be used as an aqueduct for conveying water some forty-two miles to Hurleston, near Nantwich. The scheme includes a purification plant and laboratory at Hurleston, reservoirs and distribution mains.

A survey of the Feeder Canal between Llangollen and Hurleston was made for the purpose of detecting possible sources of pollution and reporting on the condition of the canal generally. The scheme in draft form has been submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

Macelesfield Corporation and Macelesfield Rural Council jointly submitted preliminary proposals for an impounding reservoir of 272 million gallons capacity in the upper reaches of the river Dean on the western slopes of the Pennines, together with filtration plant and service reservoirs at Hurdsfield and Kerridge. The scheme was approved in principle by the County Council for contributions under the Public Health Aet, 1936 and the Rural Water Supplies and Sewerage Act, 1944, respectively. Consulting civil engineers have been instructed to prepare full details for submission to the Ministry. The estimated cost of the scheme is £,700,000.

The demand for mains water by farmers is increasing in proportion to the number of dairy farms with attested herds of eattle, entailing a higher standard of hygiene in the housing of stock and the cooling of milk.

In the area of the Mid and South East Cheshire Water Board, where the cattle population per acre is stated to be the highest in Europe, the peak demand for mains water at milking times is seriously taxing the capacity of the distribution system. The increasing cost of production of mains water and the fact that underground sources of supply are becoming generally depleted has led to the suggestion that milk refrigeration units should be provided at dairy farms in lieu of milk coolers.

Applications for loan sanction by Cheshire local authorities in 1954 were mainly for works of sewcrage and sewage disposal, including village sewerage schemes in rural districts and improvements of sewerage systems in the urban areas of Altrincham, Bebington, Sale and Wilmslow to relieve overloading and to provide sewerage facilities for undeveloped land.

Ministerial inquiries were held during the year in respect of sewerage schemes for Goostrey, Haslington, Wistaston, Sale and Wilmslow.

In July a petition was received from over two hundred residents of Church Lawton complaining of a nuisance from the sewage disposal works of Kidsgrove (Staffs) Urban Council which are situated in Cheshire. The works is seriously overtaxed causing serious pollution of a stream and there was an acute aerial nuisance due to a very large accumulation of sewage sludge on the site. As a result of representations to the Urban Council the sewage sludge was removed. A scheme for the reconstruction of the works is awaiting ministerial approval.

During the year Cheshire local authorities submitted the following schemes costing over $1\frac{1}{2}$ million pounds to the County Council for contributions under the Rural Water Supplies and Scwerage Act, 1944 and the Public Health Act, 1936.

Bucklow Rural District. Water Mains extensions

Plumley	720 yards	estimated cost	£,800
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High Legh. Revised scheme for works of sewerage and sewage disposal for council housing development and other existing houses. Estimated cost, £11,500.

Peover Superior. Works of sewerage and sewage disposal for council housing development and other existing houses. Estimated cost £25,700.

Bollington Urban District

1162 yards of mains extensions and a small booster station to serve premises on high ground near the Urban District boundary. Estimated cost, £5,639.

Congleton Rural District

Brereton Green. Works of sewerage and sewage disposal for council housing development and other existing houses. Estimated cost, £12,500.

Goostrey. Works of sewerage and sewage disposal for the village of Goostrey, including council housing development. Estimated cost, £50,650.

Macclesfield Rural District

Works of water supply consisting of a borewell, pumping station, reservoir and break pressure tank at Pott Shrigley and 13,440 yards of distribution mains in the parishes of Adlington, Pott Shrigley, Prestbury and Rainow. Estimated cost, £39,212.

North Rode and Eaton. Extension of water main for approximately one mile from Sutton to North Rode to supplement the local source of supply. Estimated cost, £3,931.

Nether Alderley and Great Warford. Works of sewerage and sewage disposal to serve housing development, industry and institutions. Estimated cost, £76,410.

Sutton. Works of sewerage for the village of Langley, connecting with Macclesfield Borough sewerage system. Estimated cost, £24,553.

Nantwich Rural District

Willaston and Wistaston. Construction of 2,300 yards of sewer to replace an existing defective and overloaded sewer. Estimated cost, £44,400.

Diversion of outfall sewer and extensions to Wistaston Sewage Disposal Works. Estimated cost, £66,000.

Haslington. Construction of new sewage disposal works to replace the existing works. Estimated cost, £42,500.

Northwich Rural District

Higher Wincham. Works of sewerage and sewage disposal for the parish of Wincham, including council housing development. Estimated cost, £15,344.

Tarporley. Construction of sludge drying beds at Tarporley Sewage Disposal Works. Estimated cost, £1,906.

Sandbach Urban District

Construction of approximately 600 yards of sewer in Park Lane to serve existing and proposed development. Estimated cost, £1,280.

Borough of Sale

Improvement and extension of the sewerage system for the prevention of flooding and to serve undeveloped parts of the borough. Extensions to the sewage disposal works. Estimated cost, £700,000.

Wilmslow Urban District

Improvement and extension of the sewerage system for the prevention of flooding and to serve undeveloped parts of the district.

Extensions to the northern sewage disposal works. Estimated cost, £152,000.

Borough of Bebington

Improvement and extension of Thornton Hough Sewage Works. Estimated cost, £3,600.

Works of sewerage for Storeton including a connection to the Fender Valley Sewer. Estimated cost, £5,300.

Replacement of defective outfall sewer at New Ferry. Estimated eost, £27,000.

Dibbin Valley Sewerage Scheme. Construction of 5,120 yards of 24—35 inch diameter sewer along the Dibbin Valley from Eastham to a sewage pumping station at Spital with a rising main and a 39 inch diameter sewer discharging to recently completed sewage storage tanks at New Ferry. This will eliminate Eastham Sewage Works and four smaller works in the Dibbin Valley and will provide sewerage facilities for undeveloped parts of the borough. Estimated cost, £285,000.

Borough of Altrincham

Construction of 1,240 yards of 18—48 inches diameter relief sewer in Atlantic Street and a storm overflow for the prevention of flooding. Estimated cost, £52,100.



